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THE ENGLISH TREATY.

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Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, May 7.—The final signature of the treaty for the settlement of the existing differences between the Governments of Great Britain and the United States was the event of to-day, and among those most directly interested, it was an event fraught with unusual and even intense interest. The Commission met at 10 o'clock, as some of the British members desired to leave for New-York on the noon train. There were present, besides the Commissioners, the attachés of the British branch and of Her Majesty's Legation, who were invited to witness the signing, also by invitation the clerks of the State Department, some of whom have rendered very acceptable service during the progress of the work. Duplicate copies were signed. The one to be transmitted to the Senate was first signed by the British Commissioners, and Secretary Fish and Earl de GREY headed the list of names in the respective documents. The last signature was affixed at 11:12 o'clock. The members congratulated each other with warmth, and their expressions and manifestations showed how deeply their hearts had been enlisted in their work. Upon its conclusion, each member carefully retained the pen with which he had affixed his signature, as a memento of the occasion. Secretary FISH presented his to Earl DE GREY, whose own had been lost, and signed with a pen used through all the diplomatic correspondence of the past two years.

THE DOCUMENT.

The treaty is quite a bulky document, and contains forty-three articles, all told. Several Annexes and subjects of negotiation are arranged in the following order: First, the Alabama claims; second, the claims of British citizens against the United States; third, the fisheries question; fourth, the navigation of the St. Lawrence; fifth, the San Juan boundary. It is noted as a fact of much importance that the British Commissioners received the full approval of the British Cabinet to the terms and text of the treaty before they affixed their signatures. The treaty will be sent to the Senate on Wednesday, and with it the papers relative to it, which the State Department will have ready by that time. Among these papers will be all the protocols, and the treaty and papers accompanying it will make a printed document of about 200 pages. The sheets of parchment on which the treaty is engrossed is the usual treaty size—somewhat larger than foolscap paper, with a wide margin on each side. There are seventeen lines of writing on each page, and there are about eighty pages.

LABORS OF THE COMMISSIONERS.

The labor of the Commission has extended through ten weeks. There have been thirty-eight sessions, averaging near five hours each, and including the separate conferences of the American and English members, the hours of labor for each day have been about six. Besides this, the State Department officers have had their usual routine work to do.

ABOUT PUBLICATION.

A complete copy of the treaty as it is signed has not been printed. The only care and anxiety on the part of the Commissioners about keeping the text of the treaty from publication extends no further than to have it transmitted to the Senate before it goes before the people. There is not known to be any opposition from any source to having the publication of the treaty anticipated by the Senate if that body is willing to do so. Not even from the British Commissioners. Discussion in open Senate is another matter. The telegram from London to the Associated Press today which says the Times regards the treaty as only provisional, and yet to be ratified by both Houses of Parliament, from the known relations of the paper with Earl GRANVILLE, is taken, by some men, that the treaty is to be submitted to Parliament for a vote of approval. If this should be the case it may have an influence in favor of open debate in Congress, since the debate in Parliament would be like other debates in this respect.

WHAT IT CONTAINS.

It is reported here tonight that Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD signed the treaty with reluctance, for the reason, it is said, that he regards the fisheries question as yielded by Canada. It is well known that the treaty provides for the payment of claims of British subjects arising from acts committed in the recent war. This provision seems to have excited opposition against the acceptance of the treaty in certain quarters, though it should be noted that the justice of these claims has not been questioned, but the large amount which it is supposed we should be compelled to allow has been held up as a reason that we should not pay them. While the terms of the treaty on this point are still secret, the principle on which our Government is responsible for certain kinds of these claims, and not responsible for others, is not looked up in the protocols of the Commission, though made by it the basis of settlement.

BRITISH WAR CLAIMS.

The civil war is created in adjusting these claims as a war between two independent nations, and the rights of British subjects residing in the South are determined on just the same grounds as the rights of British citizens residing in France during the late war there. In numerous instances the British Government has been called on to consider the property rights of its subjects domiciled in France. In a dispatch to L. S. SACKVILLE WEST, at Paris, to a request from her Majesty's Embassy there to know the decision of the British Government respecting the supposed claims of importunate British subjects, Earl GRANVILLE replies under date of March 1, 1871:

"I have consulted the law officers of the Crown upon the point submitted to me in your dispatch of the 24th of February, as to the claims of British subjects to be indemnified for the loss of property during the war, and I have now to acquaint you that I am advised by them that Her Majesty's subjects resident in France, whose property has been destroyed during the war, cannot expect to be compensated, on the ground of their being British subjects, for losses which the necessities of war brought upon them in common with French subjects."

This position, as reiterated throughout the entire correspondence between the British Foreign Office and British subjects residing in France in subsequent dispatches to the one quoted, is made to cover not only the destruction of property by invading armies, but all damages incident to the state of war. And it is broadly asserted by Earl GRANVILLE that British subjects resident in France cannot of right claim to be in a better position in regard to their immovable property in France than French subjects. This principle will govern the presentation of claims of British subjects resident in this country, and excludes a large majority of those which have been made by individuals. All these claimants have the same recourse against our Government as our own people, and no other. The claims of our own loyal citizens and resident British subjects stand on the same ground, and the Court of Claims has already passed on many of them. There is then left to be allowed under the treaty the claims of British traders living as home or temporarily in this country, for property which they owned at the outbreak of the war which our Government took or destroyed, the claims of a few British subjects impressed into our service, and possibly a few others. Injuries inflicted by rebel authorities or private rebels, we are not held responsible for.

THE CONFEDERATE COTTON LOAN.

The rebel cotton loan, so called, was excluded from consideration by the terms of the correspondence in which the Commission was agreed to by the two Governments, which spoke only of injuries arising out of acts committed during the war. The cotton-loan claim arose from a contract made during the war, and not from an acts committed, and was ruled out by the two Governments before the High Commission was formed.

THE FENIAN AND OTHER CLAIMS.

The same language includes supposed injuries to any parties since the war among them, the claims which Canada would like to put in for being scared by the Fenians, captures by Federal cruisers, adjudicated as they all were in our Admiralty Courts, are excluded by the principal on which this part of the treaty is based.

THE MODE OF PRESENTING CLAIMS.

A mere statement that certain individuals have filed claims as British subjects is of no account in showing what we are liable to pay. Under the treaty, all the claims of which it takes cognizance must, of course, on principle, be presented through the Government. The individual claimant comes before his Government, and it evidently of a class excluded, the claim will go no further. Many of the list of claimants will turn out to be Englishmen, born at Cork, who have voted an indefinite number of times in this country on papers of naturalization.

THE ST. ALBANS RAID.

The same language in the correspondence preliminary to the appointment of the Commission, which shut out the Canadian Fenian claims, let in the injuries done to our citizens in the rebel raid upon St. Albans, Vt., and it will be found that they are to be paid by Great Britain. In view of the preceding statements, it will be seen that in regard to the allowance of claims of British and American subjects, we have made a most favorable settlement.

THE ALABAMA CLAIMS.

It is already published, and truly, that the *Alabama* claims are to be fully paid.

ANOTHER IMPORTANT OPINION.

In reference to the status of the subjects of a third Power residing in the territory devastated by war between two others, an additional authority is interesting and conclusive, and establishes the doctrine and the law upon which this adjustment has been made. On the 19th of June, 1807, in reply to questions as to the responsibility of the United States for injuries sustained by British subjects in the bombardment of Greytown, Lord PALMERSTON said in the House of Commons:

It is undoubtedly a principle of international law that when one Government deems it right to exercise acts of hostility against the territory of another Power, the subjects and citizens of third Powers who may happen to be resident in the place attacked have no claim whatever upon the Government, which, in the exercise of its national rights, commits these acts of hostility. For instance, it was deemed necessary for us to bombard the town of Sebastopol. There may have been in that town Germans, Italians, Portuguese and Americans, but none of those parties had any ground upon which to claim from the British and French Governments compensation for losses sustained in consequence of those hostilities. Those who go and reside in a foreign country must abide the chances which may befall that country, and if they have any claim, it must be upon the Government of the country in which they reside, but they certainly can have no claim whatever upon the Government which thinks right to commit acts of hostility against that State.

A LIST OF CLAIMS.

Of the list of 450 claims published by one of your contemporaries today, there are not fifty that have not been disposed of irrevocably by the action of the British Government itself, or by the action of our own Prize and Supreme Courts, which decisions England would be the last Government in the world to seek to overturn.

MR. SUMNER'S POSITION.

It is believed that Mr. SUMNER'S course toward the treaty will be one of qualified approval. In so far as it goes beyond the Johnson-Clarendon Treaty in the recognition of our rights, he will claim the credit, and point out an agreement with his speech. He will probably take a few exceptions for the sake of form, and criticise here and there, but will acknowledge that the American Commissioners did as well as they knew how, and then vote for ratification.

MOVEMENTS OF THE COMMISSIONERS.

Prof. MONTAGUE BERNARD and Lord TENTERDEN left here to-night on a short visit to New-England. They go first to New-York, and will arrive in Boston about Thursday. Earl DE GREY, Sir STAFFORD NORTHCOTE, Sir EDWARD THORNTON and Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD will remain here for possible contingencies connected with the ratification of the treaty. Lord GOSCHEN and Mr. CREAMER accompany Prof. BERNARD and Lord TENTERDEN to New-York, and from thence will go to California by the Pacific Railroad.

Signing of a Convention by the Joint High Commissioners—British Responsibility for the Depredations of Privateers—No Fenian Claims to be Entertained—The San Juan Question.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—The Treaty was signed today by the High Commission, at the Department of State. The gentlemen, after this was done, exchanged congratulations on the result of their labors, expressing the belief that they had done the most they possibly could for the peace and honor of the two countries. Although the Commissioners have been cautious in talking to persons outside of their own circle, the following points will be found to be correct:

There are to be two Boards of Arbitration or Commissions. To one will be referred the *Alabama* and other similar claims, which are recognized as national, and to be settled on the principle of responsibility for such depredations where the Government has not exercised the utmost diligence and possible precaution to prevent privateers being fitted out in its ports to prey upon the commerce of a power with whom it was at peace.

The other Board is to take cognizance of miscellaneous claims, British and American, confined principally to the periods from the commencement to the close of our late civil war. Among these are the St. Albans claims, for damage to property in that town by Canadians; but no claims for the Fenian invasion of Canada are to be admitted.

As to the claims of British subjects for seizures of their cotton, Great Britain, through its Commissioners, does not recognize them in cases where each subject took up their domiciles in the South, as thereby they subjected themselves to all risks and contingencies of war. All legitimate claims for cotton will, however, be considered. It has been reported without warrant that they will amount to thirteen or more millions, but this is considered to be a great exaggeration. They will not probably amount to $1,000,000. There will be no difficulty in ascertaining all the particulars, as the Treasury Department has all dates of all the seizures of cotton, the names of the owners thereof, and all the particulars concerning the seizures. The Government is aware that a full list of British claims was recently published in that country, but it also has information that many of them have already been adjusted, while others will not come within the provisions of the Treaty. Among the claims which will also come before this Board will be that of our Government growing out of the purchase of saltpetre in the East Indies during the war, and which was seized by the British authorities.

There are other miscellaneous claims which will come before the second board. The San Juan question will be referred to the arbitration of a friendly sovereign, probably the Emperor of Brazil. From the character of the documents accompanying the Treaty it is inferred that the decision cannot fail to be in favor of the United States.

The treaty provides for the free navigation of the St. Lawrence by the vessels of the United States, and for the use of the Canadian canals, on the payment of the regular tolls. There are also provisions regulating the privileges to fish in Canadian waters, but these have not been ascertained with sufficient accuracy to justify a statement of them.

The only doubt in the above statement is as to whether there is to be only one or two Boards, but it is certain the *Alabama* and kindred claims are to be considered separately from the other claims.

The London Times mistakes in saying that the Treaty must be ratified by both Houses of Parliament, though it will require legislation to carry some of its provisions into effect.

THE PACIFIC SLOPE.

Strawberries Cheap—Wreck of a Bark—The Medical Old Fogies—The Yosemite.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 8.—Warm and dry weather prevails. Strawberries are a drug in the market. Six hundred chests arrived on one train on Saturday, and they are retailing at from four to six cents per pound. The bark *Comet*, from Honolulu, reports that the ship *Lothery* has been wrecked on Baker's Island, but she has not gone to pieces, and may be gotten off. The California Press is disposed to be somewhat severe in comment upon the Medical Association, characterizing it as a congregation of impracticable old fogies. The travel to the Yosemite Valley was never so good as at the present time.

THE COAL MINES.

A Firm Stand by the Hyde Park Miners—Collieries that Have Resumed at Other Points.

PHILADELPHIA, May 8.—A dispatch from Hyde Park says a large procession of coal miners marched through the town today in an orderly manner, and held a large meeting in Fellows Woods, this afternoon, listening to an address by President JAMES KEALY. They are firmly determined to stand out till their rights are guaranteed. A Pottsville dispatch says the following collieries resumed work this morning upon the operators' proposition of April 22: LAWERNCE, MARKLE & Co., at Mahanoy Plains, and Maple Dale at Mahanoy City. Others are preparing to follow. The coal operators consider the strike as virtually ended in this county. Another dispatch from Pottsville says that KURT'S & AUSTEN'S men at Minersville, resumed work this morning at operators' terms. The fixed wages are: For miners, $13; inside laborers, $11; outside laborers, $10, per week, and ten per cent. off for contract work.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRES.

Locomotive Works in Wilmington, Del., Burned—A Pennsylvania Village Destroyed—Fifty Houses Burned.

WILMINGTON, Del., May 8.—A disastrous conflagration occurred here at noon today. The fire caught in the kindling-wood factory of GEO. W. BUSH, from the engine furnace, and communicated to the oil-house attached to the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad shops, and thence extended to the pattern-shops and locomotive round house. The round-house contained some fifteen locomotives. They all took fire, and some of them will be badly injured. Two locomotives outside, one of them just built, are supposed to have been destroyed. The loss to the Railroad Company is very heavy, including the oil-house, pattern-house, and round-house, which were destroyed. The roofs of the general repair shops were damaged. GEO. W. BUSH loses his building and a sloop, which was burned at the wharf. At this hour, 1 o'clock P. M., the flames are under control, and it is hoped that no further damage will be done.

FAGUNDUS, Penn., May 8.—About 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon a fire was discovered in a house in the upper end of the town, and in less than two hours the town was in ashes. The losses are not known, but there was little or no insurance on the property destroyed. About fifty buildings were burned. There were no lives lost. [Fagundus is in the oil regions.]

THE SOUTH.

Difficulty of Collecting the Revenue in Southern Missouri—Armed Bands of Illicit Distillers.

ST. LOUIS, May 8.—Gen. MCDONALD, Supervisor of Internal Revenue, has just returned from a business trip to the Southern part of the State, and denies that he has called upon the President for troops to suppress Ku-klux in the Second District of Missouri, as reported from Washington. The General states, however, that some three weeks ago he asked for authority and means to employ forces sufficient to enable the collectors to collect revenue from illicit distillers in the southeastern part of the State. Collector MURDOCK has several times been opposed by armed bands of these illicit distillers and their employes or friends, and once or twice been fired upon, and Gen. MCDONALD has asked for an increased force of deputy collectors, so as to cope with armed resistance to the enforcement of the law, but at no time has he called for troops, either to suppress Ku-klux or to collect revenue.

A Gang of Counterfeiters in Florida Broken Up—Arrest of Three of Them.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—Supervisor KEYSAWSKEI, of Georgia, writes to the Internal Revenue Office, that Detective BEACH, of the Internal Revenue service in connection with a detective of the Treasury Department, recently discovered and arrested a gang of counterfeiters at Black Point, Ga. The Supervisor states that he was informed on the 1st of April, that two men in Lake City, Fla., were engaged in making counterfeit coin. Inquiry into the matter led to the knowledge that the persons engaged in the work had removed their machinery to Fernandina. Warrants were issued for the arrest of those suspected, but before the detective could reach Fernandina they had fled to Black Point. The detective followed and arrested three, who were committed to jail in default of bail. The detectives also secured all the machinery in their possession and some counterfeit 20 gold pieces, all of which have been forwarded to the Department. The persons arrested are BROWN R. NOBLE, R. NOBLE and E. SWEET. Two others, named CASSON and MCDONALD, are still at large near Black Point, but it is expected that they will be arrested soon, as the detectives are cognisant of their movements.

THE CONNECTICUT ELECTION.

Evidences of Democratic Fraud in New Haven—Swearing the Republican Voters of the Fourth Ward.

NEW-HAVEN, May 8.—The second session of the Legislative Committee was held here today. A memorial with 863 signatures of citizens who voted for JEWELL was presented in evidence. The testimony of the counters was received to prove that JEWELL'S vote was tied up in packages of 100 each. Outside testimony was taken to show that 370 was the Republican vote announced at the polls. To complete the testimony, all the citizens of the Fourth Ward who voted for JEWELL were put upon the stand. Three hundred and seventy have testified so far. The investigation is still going on.

HARTFORD, Conn., May 8.—Declarations signed by 565 Republicans were presented to the Legislative Committee in New-Haven, today, to the effect that they voted for MARSHALL JEWELL in the box. The Committee only found 470 votes in the box. The Committee deeming other evidence than declarations, issued subpœnas, and the voters appeared personally, and swore that they voted for JEWELL. Up to 10 o'clock to-night, 370 persons had so sworn, and the investigation is still going on. A Democratic paper of New-Haven, the *Elm City Press*, of today says:

"Gov. ENGLISH has acted too hesitatingly, but he will not be found wanting in this critical situation. He will never yield possession of the State records to a mob, but will, in accordance with his solemn oath, discharge all of his duties fearlessly and faithfully. To attempt to prevent him, will be dangerous for the health of those who may decide to fight it out. The State has a fine military organization. We have Sheriffs in every county who know their duty, and will not hesitate to perform it. The Horse Guard is composed of intelligent men, who will not refuse to obey the orders of Gov. ENGLISH. The Legislature will meet again on Wednesday afternoon, when it is expected the Committee will have concluded its investigations and be ready to report.

THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Record.

The following is the Signal Service report of the state of the weather and wind last night Monday, May 8, at 11:47 o'clock:

Place of Observation.	Barometer Reduced to Sea Level.	Thermometer.	Direction of Wind.	Force of the Wind.	State of the Weather.
Augusta, Ga....	29.99	66	....	Calm.	Clear.
Boston.....	30.07	44	N.W.	Fresh.	Fair.
Buffalo.....	30.20	44	N.W.	Gentle.	Clear.
Charleston.....	30.04	67	S.W.	Light.	Clear.
Cheyenne, W.T.	30.04	47	S.W.	Calm.	Cloudy.
Chicago.....	30.22	34	....	Fresh.	Fair.
Cincinnati.....	30.01	54	N.	.....	L. Rain.
Cleveland.....	30.21	42	S.E.	.....	Clear.
Corinne, Utah..	30.18	54	N.E.	Gentle.	Cloudy.
Detroit.....	30.20	40	S.E.	Gentle.	Fair.
Duluth, Minn..	30.32	40	N.E.	Gentle.	Clear.
Indianapolis....	30.12	50	N.E.	Gentle.	Cloudy.
Key West.....	30.07	76	N.E.	Gentle.	Clear.
Lake City, Fla.	30.05	68	....	Calm.	Clear.
Memphis.....	29.97	70	....	Gentle.	Thund'g.
Milwaukee.....	30.27	42	N.E.	Gentle.	Rain.
Mobile.....	30.11	67	N. E.	Calm.	Clear.
Mt. Washington	29.46	21	....	Brisk.	H.Snow.
Nashville.....	29.97	67	N.W.	Calm.	Cloudy.
New-Orleans....	30.02	69	N.W.	Gentle.	Clear.
New-York.....	30.09	45	N.W.	Light.	Clear.
Omaha.....	29.89	36	E.	Gentle.	Cloudy.
Oswego.....	30.04	42	N.W.	Light.	Clear.
Philadelphia....	30.07	51	W.	.....	Clear.
Pittsburgh.....	30.06	46	W.	Light.	Clear.
Portland, Me....	29.72	42	W.	Gentle.	Cloudy.
Rochester, N.Y.	30.16	37	W.	Light.	Fair.
San Francisco..	30.22	52	W.	Gentle.	Clear.
Toledo, O.....	30.26	42	S.W.	Gentle.	Clear.
Toledo, O.....	30.02	46	S.W.	.....	Fair.
Washington.....	30.01	57	....	Calm.	Cloudy.
Wilmington.....	30.06	62	S.	Gentle.	Clear.

Barometer corrected for elevation and temperature.

The Government Report of Observations.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 8—1 A. M.—The barometer continues steady at the Pacific and Rocky Mountain stations. It has risen in the Eastern States, but is now again falling in Central Mississippi Valley, with clouds and light rain. Clear or partially cloudy weather has generally prevailed on the Lakes and Atlantic and Gulf Coasts, but a slight disturbance is at this moment indicated off the middle Atlantic Coasts.

PROBABILITIES.

Cloudy weather, and perhaps rain, will probably be experienced on Tuesday in the Ohio Valley and middle States, but no high winds are anticipated.

The Meteorological Report.

SUMMIT OF MOUNT WASHINGTON, May 8.—Observations at 7 P. M.: Barometer, 29.89; change plus, .24; thermometer, 19°; change minus 2°; relative humidity, .84; wind west; velocity of wind, fifty miles per hour. The mountain has all day been enveloped in clouds, and frost work is everywhere on the buildings, the rocks and the railway. The wind has been blowing with great velocity for the last twenty-four hours.

City Meteorological Report.

The following observations show the temperature, &c., for the past twenty-four hours at the Central Park Mineral Springs:

Temperature	6 A.M.	9 A.M.	12 M.	3 P.M.	6 P.M.
degrees Fahrenheit	43	49	52	50	49
Stand of Barometer in inch	29.60	...	29.78	...	29.70

Wet-bulb Hygrometer at noon, degrees Fahrenheit, 47.

Rhode Island Politics.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., May 8.—The Republican City Convention, which met this afternoon, renominated Mayor DOYLE and the other city officers without opposition.

The Democratic City Convention met this afternoon, and adjourned until to-morrow afternoon. The election takes place on Wednesday.

Gen. JOSIAH WHITAKER, a leading citizen for half a century, died last night, aged 83.

Pennsylvania Railroad Matters.

PHILADELPHIA, May 8.—Special meetings of the stockholders of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company, and Lebanon and Tremont Railroad Company, and Northern Liberties and Penn Township Railroad Company, were held today for the purpose of voting by ballot on a joint agreement entered into by the two latter Companies and the Reading Road, for the consolidation and merging of these Companies with the Reading Railroad Company. The propositions were adopted in both cases.

Miscellaneous Telegrams.

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 8.—JOE COBURN passed here at noon today on the Erie Railroad for Erie, Penn., the rendezvous for the coming fight.

HARTFORD, Conn., May 8.—The Common Council to-night referred to a special committee a resolution appropriating $10,000 toward a monument to the late Dr. HORACE WELLS, of this city, the discoverer of the use of anæsthetics in surgery.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., May 8.—DAN SMITH, colored, who murdered M. J. MERRIWETHER, a few days since, near this city, was arrested yesterday and committed to jail.

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 8.—Hon. HENRY C. ROGERS, pension agent for this district, and formerly Secretary of State, died today.

RUTLAND, Vt., May 8.—A fire at Ludlow today destroyed Hammond-block and several adjoining buildings. Loss, $30,000.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 8.—The first shipment of Texas cattle was made from Baxter Springs today over the Fort Scott and Gulf Railroad to Kansas City, being part of a herd driven from Texas.

EUROPEAN AFFAIRS.

More Proclamations From the Versailles Government.

Paris Not to be Bombarded, But the Ramparts to be Assaulted.

The Assemblists Spurred Into Decisive Action.

Probability of the Germans Renewing Hostilities.

Rumors that the Franco-German Treaty Is Signed.

The University and Army Bills in the British Parliament.

THE FRENCH WAR.

The Bombardment Moderated—Press Opinions on the Bordeaux Conference.

VERSAILLES, Monday Evening, via LONDON, May 9—1 A. M.—The new battery at Montretout opened a moderate fire on Paris today. The bombardment will be resumed with greater energy to-morrow. The fire from Forts Issy and Vanvres today has been weak. The other Federal batteries have kept up a vigorous cannonade.

PARIS, May 8—Evening, via LONDON, May 9—1 A. M.—Gen. DUMONT has been appointed to the command of Fort Issy. Gen. LA CECILIA having been taken ill, Gen. PROBLENET (?) will command the right bank of the Seine until he recovers. All the journals of Paris, even the most conservative, condemn the action of the Versailles Government in prohibiting the assembling of the projected Congress at Bordeaux. The column in the Place Vendome has not yet been removed.

A New Battery—The Germans to Resume Hostilities if the Insurrection be Not Suppressed—Paris Safe from Bombardment.

VERSAILLES, May 8.—Nothing of importance occured during last night. The new battery at Montretout, mounting eighty-two guns, will open fire on Paris today. M. THIERS, in his proclamation to the people of Paris, says the Germans declare they will mercilessly resume the war, unless the insurrection is at once suppressed. The proclamation closes as follows: "Reunite and open the gates to us. The work of the cannon will then cease, and tranquility and abundance will take its place. We are marching to deliver you, and will be among you in a few days. You can aid us." President THIERS has issued a proclamation to the people of Paris, in which he says the Government will not bombard the city, but will make an assault upon the ramparts. He requests the citizens to rally around the troops, and promises in return for their aid the granting of an amnesty and the continuance of the subsidy to the poor. In the Assembly today M. PICARD stigmatised the projected Congress at Bordeaux as criminal, and announced that steps have been taken by the Government to prevent its assemblage.

Emperor Napoleon said to be in France—Alleged American Enlistments for his Cause.

BERLIN, May 8.—It is stated upon what is said to be official authority that enlistments of men for the support of the cause of the Emperor NAPOLEON in France are being made in America.

LONDON, May 8.—It is again rumored that the Emperor NAPOLEON has gone to France—secretly, relying upon the disaffection in the army for support in an attempt to regain the throne.

A Treaty Probably Signed—Resumption of German Commerce with France.

LONDON, May 8.—A rumor comes from Brussels that a formal treaty of peace has been signed at Frankfort. Prince BISMARCK has not yet returned to Berlin, but is expected there to-morrow.

HAVRE, May 8.—Many German merchantmen are already arriving at this port.

GREAT BRITAIN.

A Trade Riot Near Manchester—The Treaty—Disaster at Sea.

LONDON, May 8.—There was rioting to-day at Oldham, a great cotton manufacturing town near Manchester, originating in a lockout. It is not known that any lives were lost.

The bark *George Annie*, Capt. DYER, from Liverpool April 6, for Boston, has been abandoned at sea. The crew were saved, and have arrived at an English port.

Parliamentary Proceedings—The University and Army Bills.

LONDON, May 8.—In the House of Lords this evening, the University Tests bill was sustained by five majority. In the House of Commons the discussion upon the new Army Regulation bill was resumed. Mr. ANSON, member for Bewdley, who was commissioned Major in 1859, after honorable service in India, argued in favor of the system of purchasing commissions, reciting the usual professional arguments in favor of the practice. Other military members, who participated in the debate, were divided upon the subject. Hon. Mr. CARDWELL, the Secretary of State for War, denied that the changes proposed by the bill would subject officers to loss, as commissions sold since the introduction of the measure had brought full prices.

After a prolonged debate the House divided, and there was found to be a majority of sixty-three against the purchase of commissions. The House then adjourned.

UNITED GERMANY.

Fete to the Members of Parliament—The Poles and the Roman Catholics—The Polish Movement in Austria and Prussia—Legislative Measures—Military Organization—The New Pension Bill.

From Our Own Correspondent.

BERLIN, Saturday, April 29, 1871.

The tedious proceedings of the German Parliament have been enlivened in the past week by a grand fête given to the members by the City of Berlin. Our promis Deputies have not the talent of making their debates interesting. This is the universal complaint, even among the most patriotic Germans. Their speeches are very clever, I suppose, and patriotic, but generally dull and uninteresting; and so they are obliged to step out of their purely legislative character to satisfy the curiosity and attention of the capital. The fête was unusually brilliant, and indeed the population had, by the Press, by private addresses, and by public expression of opinion, urged the Town Council not to be sparing on the occasion, but to arrange something that would stamp Berlin at once as a European capital. The Prussians are very jealous now of the dignity of Berlin, though, to do them justice, they bear their new elevation well and with a modesty that ought to silence any envy still lurking in the hearts of their adversaries. They are aware that it is only now that they have risen to an equality with the family of great nations, and that Berlin, with all the charms it has for its native population, stands still at the bottom of the list of European capitals, and cannot in beauty or attractions compare with Paris, London or Vienna. They are anxious to remedy the fault, or rather the imperfection, and seized the present opportunity as a fitting occasion. The new Town Hall, finished only some months since, and which is an imposing and costly edifice, furnished a suitable locality, and no means had been spared to give it a really festive appearance. It was brilliantly lighted up, and the combined efforts of the Berlin gardeners had converted the whole place and the space before it, into one mass of green. Prince BISMARCK, who has been ailing a little of late—it is said in consequence of the draft prevailing in the session-room of Parliament—was present, and put on his most gracious behavior. In one of the rooms, amid palms and laurels and tropical plants, some casks of beer had been put up, and hither the Prince Chancellor, who is a great patroniser of malt liquor, resorted at an early period before supper, followed, of course, by a long train of Deputies. I may remark, by the way, that to Prince BISMARCK is due the now favorite practice of having a barrel of beer put up in a side room at fashionable parties, an arrangement that if not ornamental, I can assure you proves most useful in keeping up the spirits of the company, who have a national weakness for the beverage of King Gambrinus. The beer proved no empty decoration in the present instance, exciting far more admiration than its counterpart ornament in the grand reception hall, spurting the more innocent liquid, water, out of a perfectly classic fountain. Of course the Emperor and Empress were there, as were also some of the royal Princes, "Fritz," FREDERICK CHARLES, &c. The Emperor made a long speech of the usual tenor, and Her Majesty had a number of Deputies introduced to her.

THE POLES AND ROMAN CATHOLICS.

The Roman Catholics, or Ultramontanes, as a retaliation for the animosity shown to them by the Press and their rival parties in Parliament, at first refused the invitation, and some are even affirmed to have given great offense to the city dignitaries by returning the paper under book-post cover. In the end, however, they thought better of it. The overtures made to them by the Conservatives may have brought about this change of feeling. The Roman Catholics have done with their share of unpopularity for this session, and will for the rest of the period rather occupy the pleasant position of umpires to the two contending parties. Some very fierce partisans remained inexorable, in spite of repeated advances, but others, among whom was their leader, Bishop VON KETTELER, (in his youth a Lieutenant of hussars,) attended, and were even honored guests. The Empress conversed at length with the Bishop. Touching the Roman Catholic question, and especially the conflict of the parties in Parliament, I ought in justice to observe that of the 136 Roman Catholic Deputies only fifty-six have joined the Ultramontane Party. The Polish Deputies were immovable, and would not attend a celebration of German triumph, which to them could appear only one of their own defeat.

THE POLISH MOVEMENT IN PRUSSIA AND AUSTRIA.

On the whole, the Polish movement, both in the North and South, appears to be gaining force, though the objects aimed at by the Northerners seem unattainable for the present. Your readers will be aware that the Emperor of Austro-Hungary has nominated M. DE GROCHOLSKI Minister, as a concession to his Polish subjects, whose claims were becoming too formidable to be slightingly treated. The *Cross Gazette* now reports as a fact the Prussian Poles to have addressed a manifesto to the Austrian Minister, requesting him to represent the joint party interest of North and South. The gist of this movement and agitation is the long-dreamt-of reunion of all Poland as an independent Kingdom, and it is obviously a counter move to that of the Austrian Germans, who seem to claim union with their Northern brethren under Prussian supremacy. Perhaps it is the very best solution imaginable of the German question, to have all Germans united under Hohenzollern rule, and all Poles under that of Hapsburg. That may be one of the problems of the future; at present I fear the Northern Empire is thinking very little of an exchange, however willing it may be to take. The Southern Court would be loth to sever the last tie connecting it with Germany, its own native land.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES—THE CONSTITUTION.

The hilarious humor of the Deputies did not outlast the festive Monday evening. The ensuing debates have been as dull and heavy as any, though the measures before the House were of great moment. The Progressists, who do not like the turn that things have taken, reproach Prince BISMARCK with having excited the Ultramontanes to opposition in the beginning for his own interest, acting on the advice of PITT, in order to have all the resistance out at the outset, to prevent opposition arising later from the tediousness of the debates. The principal measure resolved in this week is the German Constitution, which has received the Imperial sanction, and will, therefore, become law on the 4th of May. The Parliamentary papers are to be published to-night, so I cannot quote any of the provisions. But practically it may serve the purpose to explain that the German Constitution is nothing but the former North-German, extended to a wider territory. The bill has been patriotically passed, with hardly any resistance, the Progressists, Socialists and Particularists being easily outvoted, and no other opposition being offered after the defeat of the Ultramontane amendments, claiming liberty of the Press, of public assembly, &c. These claims have thus been awarded by the Constitution as decreed, the initiative of legislative measures devolves solely upon the united Governments as represented by the Federal Council, and in the Council it will be exercised by the dominant power, Prussia. Military, customs and some other measures will be imperial, and no more local, and so will the expense of fortification, and it appears, the support of the navy. At all events the navy will bear the name of German, instead of Prussian or North German. Bavaria is not bound to contribute to naval expenses or general fortification before the 1st of January, 1872, but it will bear the whole cost of maintenance of its own fortresses, which is considered almost equivalent. Military schools and other military establishments are likewise to pass into the property of the Confederation. On the whole, the incomplete state of the North German establishment has been transplanted on to old German soil, but it is hoped that the work of perfection may be continued as it was begun in the former phase. An uniform code of law, uniform religious establishments, &c., are still hopes reserved for the future, and when these have been attained, and only then, are the relations between Government and subjects to be duties defined and developed. The naval arsenal at Kiel is to be enlarged on the model of that of La Spezia, of which the Italian Minister has procured the designs for the use of the German Government; another improvement in the naval management will be the construction of a canal uniting the Baltic with the German Ocean, which will give additional importance to Kiel. The measure seems pretty certain of adoption by Government.

MILITARY ORGANIZATION.

The command and control of the army passing into Prussian hands, new military arrangements have become indispensable for the South. The fundamental principles of the new organization have been resolved upon, which, if they do not accomplish complete uniformity at once, at all events pave the way for it. The German Army is in future to number seventeen army corps, each of which will have its correspondent bodies in the reserve and landwehr. The North German Army comprises already Thirteen corps, viz.: Prussia, eleven; Saxony, one, and the other States one among them. The thirteenth Army Corps will, however, in future, be the Badenese, the Northern States joining their contingents to other Prussian corps. As the Badenese Army is not sufficient for an entire corps, some Prussian regiments will be told off to make it complete. Thirteen corps will therefore virtually be Prussian. The Fourteenth is to be the Wurtemburg, the Fifteenth nominally Alsatian and Lotharingian, but in reality a combined corps of North and South Germans, representing the equivalent of the native troops distributed over the German corps. Bavaria will supply the Sixteenth and Seventeenth. Special army conventions, with all the separate States, are still pending, resuming the control more or less exclusively to Prussia.

PROPOSED PAYMENT OF MEMBERS.

The proposed payment of members is a liberal demand of old standing, hitherto unadopted only from deference to Prince BISMARCK'S unfavorable opinion. It has become a kind of party cry, being a bequest from the late leader of the Progressist Party, Chief Judge WALDECK. It has now passed in committee by 182 votes against 128, but the third reading and Imperial sanction shall threaten its ultimate adoption seriously. The question assumes greater importance in Germany than in most other countries, because nowhere, I suppose, does political education and pecuniary want go so closely together as in Germany. Of course the expenses of Parliamentary representatives might be defrayed by voluntary collections in the districts retaining them, but that would not only serve to make Parliament unpopular, but oppose an insurmountable barrier to the election of many a sensitive candidate, who would not wish, as it were, to receive alms. Where many a Judge or other important official has to punch on six or seven hundred thalers a year, of which Government endeavors even to stop payment while he is in future to number seventeen army corps, each of which will have its correspondent bodies in the reserve and landwehr. The North German Army comprises already Thirteen corps, viz.: Prussia, eleven; Saxony, one, and the other States one among them. The thirteenth Army Corps will, however, in future, be the Badenese, the Northern States joining their contingents to other Prussian corps. As the Badenese Army is not sufficient for an entire corps, some Prussian regiments will be told off to make it complete. Thirteen corps will therefore virtually be Prussian. The Fourteenth is to be the Wurtemburg, the Fifteenth nominally Alsatian and Lotharingian, but in reality a combined corps of North and South Germans, representing the equivalents of the native troops distributed over the German corps. Bavaria will supply the Sixteenth and Seventeenth. Special army con

A WEEK OF SONG IN BOSTON.

The Second Triennial Festival of the Handel and Haydn Society—Extensive Preparations—Famous London Vocalists Imported—The Works of the Great Masters to be Interpreted—First Performance of Bach's Passion Music.

From Our Special Correspondent.

BOSTON, Sunday, May 7, 1871.

The great musical festival of the Handel and Haydn Society, the second triennial, for which the officers and members have been preparing for months past with the praiseworthy intention of making it superior in every respect to previous like festivals, and equal in extent and in quality, both of selection and performance, to those festivals abroad which have become renowned, takes place this week, and consequently there will come up to Boston a great crowd, differing from that which will invade the narrow, sinuous ways of the town during "Anniversary Week," as near at hand, or that which jammed the place as never before during the progress of GILMORE'S wondrous big jubilee—a crowd of specialists in art, of the severe in music, an intensely cultivated crowd, an extraordinary crowd, such as no other city, in this part of the globe at least, could possibly attract.

The Society has certainly made most elaborate preparations, and has succeeded in arranging an exceedingly attractive programme. It has imported from London, expressly for this occasion, Mme. RUDERSDORFF, who is said to be, on the authority of the best of the critics abroad, the greatest living exponent of oratorio, and Mr. WILLIAM H. CUMMINGS, the noted London tenor, who has been accorded the place next to SIMS REEVES in the opinion of Londoners; and to these has joined some of the best native talent; soprani, Mrs. J. Houston West and Mrs. H. M. Smith, both Bostonians, who have passed triumphantly the severe examination of the local critics; contralti, Miss Adelaide Phillips, Miss Annie L. Cary and Miss Antoinette Sterling, the latter of New-York; tenor, Mr. William J. Winch, of this city, who is of Mr. B. J. Lang's choir, at Rev. Edward Everett Hale's church; and bassi, Mr. Myron W. Whitney, Mr. J. F. Rudolphsen and Mr. J. F. Winch, all of Boston. The chorus numbers over 700 voices, properly balanced, and will expect to render good service, having rehearsed all winter long, steadily and earnestly, under the energetic and careful leadership of CARL ZERRAHN; the orchestra numbers 113 carefully selected performers, and includes the best musicians of the Philharmonic and Thomas' Orchestras of New-York, and others of Philadelphia, and one or two other cities besides this; and the solo pianists two, Miss ANNA MEHLIG and Miss MARIE KRESS, both of whom have received attention and praise from the critics of your own City. Mr. B. J. LANG will preside at the great organ, Boston's most sensitive member, whose fifty-seven hundred pipes, I am informed with a pardonable pride, have been carefully tuned up to the established concert pitch, to harmonize perfectly with the orchestra.

The festival begins on the afternoon of Tuesday and closes on Sunday. It embraces nine great concerts—five of oratorio and four of symphony. The most ambitious undertaking will be the performance of selections from BACH'S St. Matthew Passion Music, which has only just been attempted at Westminster Abbey, so great has been the feeling that BACH'S music was too intellectual for ordinary minds to comprehend. But I give below the programme of the week, that it may at once be seen what will constitute the great festival:

On Tuesday afternoon—the opening: NICOLAI'S festival overture on LUTHER'S chorale, "Ein feste Burg;" a four-part song by MENDELSSOHN, unaccompanied; chorus, "See, the Conquering Hero Comes," and "Hallelujah," from BEETHOVEN'S "Mount of Olives;" and MENDELSSOHN'S symphony cantata, "The Hymn of Praise." Besides these choral performances, Mme. RUDERSDORFF and Mr. CUMMINGS will make their first appearance in America.

On Wednesday afternoon the concert will consist of symphonies, concerto and other classical writings. Miss MEHLIG will play and Mme. RUDERSDORFF, Miss PHILLIPS and Miss CARY will sing.

On Wednesday evening MENDELSSOHN'S "Elijah," a portion of which the society sang in New-York last June, on the occasion of that woful pretense at a Beethoven celebration, about which the least said the better.

On Thursday afternoon, another classical concert.

On Thursday evening, HANDEL'S great choral masterpiece, "Israel in Egypt," to be given for the first time here, at least, in its completeness.

Friday afternoon, another symphony concert, with the crucial test of all choral societies, BEETHOVEN'S Ninth Symphony.

Saturday afternoon, another symphony concert.

Saturday evening, the selections from BACH'S passion music, and BENNETT'S "Woman of Samaria," entire—both for the first time in this country.

Sunday evening, "The Messiah."

This Handel and Haydn Society is the oldest musical society in this country. It was founded fifty-six years ago by a modest number of gentlemen for the purpose of mutual improvement in the study of church music, and took its name from the Handel and Haydn Society in London. In the course of time they obtained a charter, and the strength of the Society gradually gained with increasing numbers. It was some years before the Society ventured on public performance, and then it did not have sufficient courage to attempt an oratorio, but contented itself with selections from oratorios and masses. It lived on with varying fortunes, always a little in advance of the popular taste, and studying to properly interpret the best works of the masters. About a dozen years ago Dr. J. BAXTER UPHAM, the present President, and Mr. LORING B. BARNES, the present Secretary, with other prominent Bostonians, were chosen executive officers, and thereby an impetus was given to the Society, and it has since rapidly advanced in numbers and influence, until now it is the wealthiest, and, as I have said, the greatest and most powerful musical organization in the country. It has sung with all the great singers of the age who have visited America, excepting JENNY LIND—such as JOHN BRAHAM, Mme. SONTAG, Mme. PAREPA-ROSA and Mlle. NILSSON, and has performed to the satisfaction of the critics, and what is of more importance, of the cultivated musical public, more difficult and more elaborate works, and at more extensive musical undertakings, than any other like organization. Its members embrace all grades of society, from the poorest seamstresses and shop-girls, and the meanest paid clerks, to the ladies of Beacon-street and Commonwealth-avenue, and the gentlemen of leisure, culture, and wealth. If this present festival is a success, and there is every indication that it will be, the Society will have every reason to rejoice, and Boston, which has produced it, to boast in a mild way of its "institutions." One point about this Society worthy of mention I had almost forgotten. It was made money out of its performances, and has accumulated a fund which it proposes ultimately to devote to the erection of a music-hall of its own, for use as a place of rehearsals, the present accommodations being insufficient for the large choir and the numerous guests who form its invited audience. MUNROE.

Fall of a Dwelling-House in Baltimore—Narrow Escape of the Inmates.

From the Baltimore Sun, May 6.

Shortly before 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon a serious catastrophe occurred on Saratoga-street, between Howard and Park streets, involving the total destruction of a dwelling-house and the furniture contained therein, though fortunately no lives were lost. An old frame building, owned by JOHN WEIS, No. 126 Saratoga-street, had been torn down with a view of building a new structure, and in digging the cellar for it, the foundation of the house adjoining, No. 124, owned and occupied by Mrs. A. C. HOOK, was undermined in such a manner as to cause one of the walls to give way, which involved the destruction of the entire main building, three stories high. The parties engaged in digging the cellar had just finished the excavation, the last cart-load of dirt having been scarcely removed, when the wall of the dwelling No. 124 was seen to crack, and soon after gradually sinking. Policemen G. MORAN and J. E. KROPPS, who were in the vicinity at the time, first observed the fact, and immediately gave notice to the occupants of the house. These consisted of Mrs. HOOK, her two daughters, Mrs. TERESA WILLS and Miss MARY HOOK, Mrs. LEVERING, and two small children of Mrs. WILLS. The occupants at first seemed disinclined to believe the report, but soon the cracking and tumbling walls gave them additional warning, and they at once commenced to make their escape. The Policemen succeeded in rescuing Mrs. HOOK and one of her daughters out of the front window. The other daughter, Mrs. WILLS, jumped from a window just in time to save herself from being buried in the ruins. The other occupants of the dwelling were rescued by Mr. HENRY LITZ and others, who happened to be in the neighborhood. Just as the inmates were rescued, the tumbling walls came down in a confused heap, burying all the furniture and everything else in a shapeless mass of ruins. Mrs. WILLS, in jumping from the window, injured herself somewhat; but to no serious extent. Mrs. HOOK'S loss will be very heavy, her house being valued at from $5,000 to $6,000, and her furniture, including a piano, at about $1,000.

GERMANY.

Composition of the German Parliament—Its Political and Social Complexion.

From Our Own Correspondent.

BERLIN, Sunday, April 23, 1871.

I return once more to the topic of the German Parliament, to inform you of the manner of its composition according to parties, rank and professions. The full list of members has only quite lately been published, so it was impossible to give correct information on the subject any sooner. As it is, seven seats out of the 382 are still vacant, and the conflict of election is still raging in some of our electoral districts. One district in Berlin has still a member to return, and the Socialists are making a last desperate effort to get their favorite sportsman, Dr. TAGCHY, in, but with little hope of success. Of the 375 members thus actually elected, 48 are Conservatives and 36 Liberal Conservatives; 114 are National Liberals; 43 Progressists, 28 Southern Liberals, 63 Clericals, 13 Poles, and 30 are independent members. This is so long a list of parties that I ought to add a few words of explanation. The Prussian parties in the old Chamber were numerous enough; by the present additions a foreigner must feel completely bewildered, especially if he happens to hear of any of the subdivisions, which still more multiply the catalogue. The Southern representatives justly complain of the step-motherly treatment they have experienced at the hands of the Northern party politicians. They were welcomed with an abundance of fine talk, but there the matter ended; no attempt was made to remodel the Prussian parties on a broader basis, by enlarging their views and aims. It must be borne in mind that the first article in the political creed of every Prussian, according to the authorized party programme, Liberal or Conservative, is: Prussia and supremacy, a principle that no non-Prussian can be expected voluntarily to subscribe to. Such Southerners as joined the old Prussian parties, did so very reluctantly, and as if it were against their better conviction. One portion of them, as my account shows, could not bring themselves to do so even after weeks of consideration. They at length constituted a new party, representing the heart and soul of federal views, according to each individual State, the maximum of individual freedom compatible with the welfare of the whole community, and aiming more at liberty of the subject than outward harmony of unification. Opposed to these Southern Liberals on the Liberal side are the National Liberals, still the most numerous party, as is natural after the fortunate result of the war. They place union and German supremacy above liberty, not professedly, but practically. They and the Liberal Conservatives, one hundred and forty-nine, therefore, of the entire Chamber, constitute the followers of PRINCE BISMARCK through thick and thin, the Conservatives pleading BISMARCK'S opinion as a ground for diverging from the views of their party proper, and the Liberals using the same plea for the same deviation from the left. The National Liberals are for a strong central Government, trusting to Prince BISMARCK for liberal concessions when that end shall have been attained; the Liberal Conservatives, on the other hand, wish as many concessions made to the Liberals as are indispensable to keep the present régime in favor. The Conservatives proper represent the Prussian Junker Party, contending for class privileges and feudalism. The Progressists are the pith and marrow of all liberalism, placing absolute right and law above expediency, and accepting no compromise against their convictions. The Clericals have been swelled to a greater number than they really represent by the refusal of other parties to remodel their programme; they have been wise enough to remodel theirs, and, as a consequence, they have gathered into their net members of all shades of opinion, no other condition being demanded than that they should be Catholics. On the whole the party has, however, a leaning toward conservatism and particularism, in both of which tendencies it is supported by the Poles, who were so uncourteously identified with the latter party by Prince BISMARCK. They made an attempt to have their province excluded from the German "Bund," as it was before 1866, though they would, of course, remain under Prussian rule. As a ground for their request they urged that "race," had been made the justification of German unification and conquest, whereas they were plainly not Germans. Prince BISMARCK rebuked them most roughly: "You were returned to vote for the Roman Catholic Church, you have, therefore, no right to propose any other matters." As a reply the Poles resolved to resign their seats, and insist on new elections, but they seem to have thought better of it, for all rumors of that sort have subsided. Of the 48 Bavarian Deputies, 27 are Liberals, 17 Catholics, 4 Independent; of the 17 Wurtemburg members 12 are Liberals, 3 Liberal Conservatives, 1 is Catholic, and 1 an Independent; of the 14 Badenese 9 are leaders of their respective parties, viz.: Bishop VON KETTELER, of the Ultramontanes, of which he is the only representative among his countrymen, and the former Minister, one ROGGENBACH, of the Southern Liberals; besides him 9 are Liberals. Of the 9 Hessian Deputies, 7 are Liberals. No less than 150 of the members are noblemen, the relation of nobles to untitled men being as three to four, a proportion far more favorable to the former than they have been able to boast for very long. Three are royal princes, 1 is a duke, 5 are princes, 56 counts, 9 junior ministers of state, 38 high civil officials, 23 landraths, and 1 prefect, 8 army officers, 12 clergymen, including a bishop, 47 judges, 42 advocates and lawyers, 18 landed proprietors, 21 civic dignitaries, 13 professors; only 20 are commercial men. There are thus no less than 187 Government officials in the assembly, besides some others that are almost as much under Government control as they. One cannot consider these figures without being struck by the wonderfully favorable result the elections have had for Government.

STEPHENS AND THE SOUTH.

The Hampton Roads Conference—The Terms Mr. Lincoln is Said to Have Proposed to the Rebels.

In an article referring to the celebrated Hampton Roads Conference, the Montgomery (Ala.) *Mail*, of Friday last, says:

"We have had the official account of what transpired in pursuance of the official instructions communicated to the Confederate Commissioners before they left Richmond. But we have had no record of what transpired to which those instructions did not relate. A number of the witnesses of that transaction, however, are yet alive, and if what we are going to state is not in accordance with the facts, they will no doubt set us right. We have our information from a gentleman of the highest respectability who had it from one of the Confederate Commissioners in person, that the single word 'Union' was written by Mr. LINCOLN at the head of a blank sheet of paper, and that the Confederate Commissioners were told to write beneath that word their own terms, and that those terms would be accepted. Mr. STEPHENS and Mr. JOHN A. CAMPBELL favored the acceptance of the terms thus offered, but having been hedged in by instructions that they were not at liberty to transgress, the last hope of the South withered with the destruction of that comparatively insignificant scrap of paper.

"The question was not whether our pride would have been wounded, but whether our true interests would have been subserved by accepting the terms offered by Mr. LINCOLN. Subsequent events settled that question, and settled it in a manner that fully justified Mr. STEPHENS and Mr. CAMPBELL. Far better would it have been to go back under the Constitution as it then was, than to wait and be forced back under the wreck that that Constitution subsequently became. We all feel now that it would have been better, and that Mr. STEPHENS fore-knew or fore-saw at Hampton Roads, what we have been gradually learning during the seven years we have been groaning, only shorn, as we said before, that although shut up in Liberty Hall by the decree of adverse circumstances, the counsels of his matured wisdom ought no more to be slighted than if he were the acknowledged leader of the whole national party.

"Thus much we have said in explanation of what has been heretofore alleged by the *Mail*, and because it was called forth under circumstances that implied some doubt of the authenticity of the event referred to. It will be seen that we do not vouch for it ourself for that authenticity, but nevertheless it was first heard of the matter several years ago as a mere on dit, and afterward had it as delivered by one of the Commissioners to a gentleman of this city, we felt that it was one of those unwritten scraps of history, none the less true for having escaped the historic pen, which we were at liberty to use or not as we thought proper. We were not authorized to make public the name of our informant, but we presume that he has no objection to our communicating it to any doubter who may think proper to demand it."

PERSONAL, POLITICAL, AND GENERAL.

The *Whig & Register* and the *Press & Herald* of Knoxville, Tenn., have been consolidated.

Three murderers, MARTIN WORM, PEDRO ARELL, and VICENTE BATONNE are to be hanged in New-Orleans on Saturday next.

There is a colt in Kansas whose fore feet are like the feet of a bear, and whose hind feet have claws like the feet of a dog.

It is estimated that the Bonnet Carré crevasse will cause an actual loss of about 5,000 hogsheads sugar and 250,000 gallons molasses.

Members of Gen. JOHN MORGAN'S command are raising money to place a monument over his grave.

Ex-Congressman AMASA COBB, late of Wisconsin, is now President of the FIRST National Bank of Lincoln, Nebraska.

A student at Yale startled the class at recitation the other day. "What stars never set?" asked the Professor, and "Roosters!" was his prompt reply *sub voce*.

A Boston woman was sentenced to the House of Correction for six months last week for stealing coins from a dead woman's eyes. Fact.

The remains of Bishop-General POLK are to be removed from the church-yard of St. Paul's, in Augusta, Ga., where they now lie unmarked, to Louisiana, where a monument will be erected over them.

Two honest and obstinate Lewis County farmers have a lawsuit about a patch of land, worth perhaps $10, which has just been tried for the fifth time. The fees and costs incurred thus far amount to several thousand dollars.

JOHN LIDON was convicted in the Circuit Court at Carroll County, Tenn., on the 6th inst., of Knocking, and the jury, on which there were nine Democrats, fixed his sentence at ten years in the Penitentiary.

An Alexandria correspondent asserts that Northern visitors have cut off all the buttons on the cushions in WASHINGTON'S pew in Christ Church, and are now carrying off pieces of the stuff as relics, although buttons and stuff are both modern.

A Louisiana planter reports that his Chinamen work slow, but sure and nice. He also says that the yellow boys, as he calls them, plow very well, but cannot manage the mules, which cannot understand Chinese talk yet.

Gov. DAVIS, of Texas, has recommended to the Legislature that telegraph companies in that State be taxed five per cent. upon their gross receipts, and that they be forbidden by law to add the tax to their tariffs.

Hon. W. N. EDWARDS, of North Carolina, who served in Congress from 1813 to 1823, is still living, hale and hearty, at the age of eighty-four years. But he is not, as a North Carolina paper asserts, the oldest living Ex-Congressman.

A Boston man, who saw no inclination on the part of the occupants of a street-car to move and give him a seat, sat down on the floor. Room was made for him then, but, as the discreet *Advertiser* cautiously says, rather late to answer the demands of true politeness.

A School of Philology is to be established at once, in connection with the Department of Philosophy and the Arts, in Yale College, embracing a two years' course of study, and to be opened to graduates of that and other American colleges.

A party of Ute Indians recently found a white man on the banks of Bine River, nearly exhausted from starvation, and, although they took him to their camp and tried to revive him, he died in a few hours. He had eaten the tops of his boots.

The ex-rebels of the South will support the Democratic candidate for the Presidency if the Democratic platform is satisfactory in what it does not say. That is, if the platform consists of glittering generalities, and does not in set terms pledge the party to accept the reconstruction legislation as final and irrepealable.

A correspondent who passed Hon. THOMAS A. HENDRICKS in an Indianapolis street, recently, writes of him thus: "Under the battered hat of the genus plug, species of 1867, you notice a face that is remarkable rather than commonplace. It is a face that would cause more than a passing glance. Intelligence and benevolence are stamped upon it, and under 'that dome of thought' throbs the greatest brain among the Democratic politicians of today."

President ASA D. SMITH, of Dartmouth College, will deliver the address before the Alumni of the Yale Divinity School, at its anniversary, May 18. The Faculty of the school is to consist of the President of the College, and Drs. Bacon, Day, Harris, Hoppin, Fisher and Dwight, with whom will be associated as lecturers on special subjects President Woolsey, Prof. Noah Porter, Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, and Rev. Dr. Thompson.

The defeat of the bond-adjustment measure in Minnesota at the recent special election moves the St. Paul *Pioneer*, a Democratic paper, to say that although it is not pleasant, candor compels the confession that there is not a debt-paying spirit among the majority of the people, or, if there is, it has a certain manner of contemptuous expression at which creditors may well take offense, and which, if the debtors had been citizens or corporations or counties, would have been long ago responded to by a legal process.

The tone of the Kentucky Democratic resolutions disappoints the Cincinnati *Enquirer*. It says: "There is not that snap and fire in them we looked for, and which the times called for. In other words, they strike us as too tame; though there is thus to say, that Kentucky is one of the States under the ban, and the Convention doubtless thought that Democrats at the North should be left to express deeper feeling if the occasion demanded. What the resolutions do express are sound. Let us wait and see if the Democratic Conventions of Pennsylvania and Ohio, which meet in three and four weeks, will do better."

A California paper tells how the jury in the case of Mrs. FAIR made up its verdict, the statement being made, it is claimed, in the words of one of the jury: "During the progress of the trial not one juror spoke to his fellow-jurors of the case, and when we retired to make up a verdict no one knew anything of the opinion of his fellows. On entering the jury-room the first thing done was to cut a piece of paper into twelve pieces, and to number them from one up to twelve. These were put in a hat and drawn, and the slip drawn was the number of the juror. On these slips each juror wrote his finding in the case, and when his number was called put it into the hat. When I wrote my finding, murder in the first degree, I hardly thought there would be another such finding on any of the slips, but when the slips were all deposited and taken out and read, to my great astonishment it was found that each juror on the first and only ballot, had voted just as I had, murder in the first degree."

Yachting is looking up down East. There are now clubs at South Boston and Dorchester, Mass., and Portland, Me., and two in the City of Boston proper, all of which, with one exception, are represented to be in a flourishing condition, and to cherish well-grounded hopes of a brilliant season. The opening regatta of the Eastern Yacht Club of Boston—the principal one of these—will take place June 13. Some weeks later the Club will leave Boston upon its usual Summer cruise to the islands in Penobscot Bay, reaching Mount Desert, and, probably, extending the journey to the Grand Menan.

A Louisiana planter, one of the sufferers by the Bonnet Carré crevasse, denies that the levee, where the break occurred, had been weakened by being cut away to haul wood, sugar, or anything else, and he asserts that, so far from manifesting an indisposition to strengthen the levee, the planters and their hands worked a day and a half on it in a vain endeavor to prevent the crevasse.

THE "WORLD" MOVES.

The Most Venal Newspaper of the Age.

From the Pittsburg Commercial, May 8, 1871.

"O that mine enemy would write a book," cried cried Solomon, referring to some dignitary between whom and himself a coldness existed. How savagely he would have reviewed it may be inferred from the repressed intensity of the remark. The New-York *World* is not Solomon, as anybody may know from looking into it, but it is a dignitary of very considerable eminence and influence. And although not a book it is a newspaper, which answers all the purposes of a library. Indeed, it is both book and library to a very wide circle of people whose limited abilities or opportunities have prevented them from getting beyond the primers of political instruction. While, therefore, it cannot be said that it adds anything to the general stock of human knowledge, it is not the less to be complimented and encouraged for the patient and assiduous way in which it performs its thankless drudgery of teaching obtuse yokels their letters. But the *World* keeps a diary, and is not always quite certain of its own mind, or, rather we should say that while its opinions are quite positive and assured in one direction today, they are just as likely to be equally positive and assured in an opposite direction to-morrow. There can be no doubt of its sincerity; neither, unfortunately, can there be any question of its recklessness. It is very ardent, while the fit is on it; but its moods are more inconstant than the moon. Hence its diary is chameleon-hued, and presents the most extraordinary jumble of conflicting ideas of which it is possible to conceive. A few days ago, in the course of an article accusatory of the Republican Party, and laudatory of the men who administer the municipal affairs of New-York, it said:

"Judas Iscariot was an apostle, so long as the cause involved no personal peril, and secured him the benefits of a highly profitable venality. He committed the faith."

This true and pertinent utterance has induced the *Times* of that city—which is cognizant of the peculiar liability to sudden changes of view—to look into the diary of which we have spoken, and the impression that its present doctrine rather than its sentiments of twelve months since. And well have the researches rewarded the search. It is the funniest thing in the world to read how the diary declares that to be white now which was black then, sweet of humor now which was reviled with foulness, the good leader now which was then denounced as a bad leader, and how, from pompous self-laudation, it has come to eat humble pie, pompous self-vituperation now which was all pure self-laudation then—and so on through all the wide range of diverse comparison, until repentance becomes impossibility. The *Times* gives a column of extracts from the files of the contemporary, written exactly a year ago, in which these extracts are given, and which are brought to bear upon the men whom it now defends at the point of the sword, grape, canister, shrapnel, round-shot and shell are poured upon them in such volleying wrath as never was witnessed upon battle-field since the first mankind learned to quarrel. To read them is like witnessing the discharge of horrid mitrailleuse. "Treachery," "rascality," "dishonesty," "perfidy," "corruption," "rapacity," "greediness," "tools," "despotism of thieves and robbers"—who would have thought that the invention of such a cacuonade would have come over to the very enemy at which they hurled the rhetorical missiles? Consistency, and how severe a thing it is, and how severe a thing it is to follow in the natural

THE ERIE FIGHT.

Further Investigation to be Made by the Conservative Board—Necessary Business of the Litigation—The Examination of Jay Gould Resumed.

Yesterday Kenneth G. White, Master in Chancery, resumed the investigation into the disposition of the 4,064 shares of Erie Railroad stock, the property of Heath and Rafaiani, the British shareholders of the claim, which they allege they were robbed of by Jay Gould, James Fisk, Jr., and the Directors of the Company. Jay Gould was placed on the stand, and gave his evidence in a tone that was all but inaudible. His evidence was directed chiefly to the circumstances in connection with the issue of the two convertible bonds, and the 50,000 shares of new stock, and developed some interesting facts in regard to the general administration of the Erie Railroad. At 1 o'clock Messrs. Beach, Lane and Morgan appeared on behalf of the Erie Railroad Company, and Messrs. Southmayd and Tweed for Heath and Rafaiani.

Joseph D. White was recalled and testified: I have now here the statement of the Erie Railway Company as on December 31 and January 1; the amount of $10,000 which appears on the credit side of a loan from Willard, Martin & Beach, on the 31 of December, 1870, is not at that date; $30,000 received from the same firm, on the 5th of December, was similarly discounted, and $200,000 received the morning day was deposited in the Bank. The $30,000 was repaid in the same month, and stated such an arrangement had been entered into with the North American Trust Company, by which $200,000 was to be drawn against these stocks.

An examination of the statement prepared by Mr. Gould and Secretary Tompkins was then proceeded with. It showed that in December last the sundries debtor to cash stood thus: $4,497,881 65; cash debtor to sundries, $4,288,126 65; leaving a balance of $209,755 00 cash debtor to sundries for the

The New York Times.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

A trade riot occurred yesterday in a cotton manufacturing town, near Manchester, owing to a lock-out.

A Brussels rumor was received in London that Prince BISMARCK had signed a formal treaty of peace with France. The news from France is unimportant, except that President THIERS announces, in a proclamation to the people of France, that the Germans will resume the war if the insurrection be not speedily suppressed. It is rumored that the Emperor NAPOLEON has gone to France secretly to attempt to regain the throne. The new Battery at Montretout, mounting eighty-two guns, was to open fire on Paris yesterday. It is stated that enlistments of men for the cause of NAPOLEON are being made in America. The United States store-ship *Supply*, which brought a cargo for the French sufferers by the war, has sailed for home. The bark *George Annie*, from Liverpool, for Boston, has been abandoned at sea. The crew were saved.

GENERAL.

The Joint High Commissioners yesterday signed a convention for the settlement of the questions at issue between the United States and Great Britain, and afterward exchanged congratulations on the result of their labors, expressing the belief that they had done the most they possibly could for the peace and honor of the two countries. They have been cautious in speaking of the terms of the convention, but some points are given in our telegraphic news columns, which are assumed to contain the main features of the document.

A dispatch from Hyde Park, Penn., says the coal miners held a large meeting there yesterday afternoon. They are firmly determined to stand out till their rights are guaranteed. Dispatches from Pottsville represent that several collieries have gone to work and the strike is virtually at an end.

Gen. MCDONALD, Supervisor of Internal Revenue for Southern Missouri, denies that he has called upon the President for troops to suppress Ku-Klux, but says he has asked for an increased force of Deputy Collectors, so as to cope with armed resistance to the enforcement of the Revenue laws.

ANTONIO MAURER, the Spring Valley murderer, has been sentenced to Sing Sing Prison for seven years, and was conveyed to that institution yesterday morning.

Deputy Commissioner DOUGLAS is acting Commissioner of Internal Revenue in the absence of Gen. PLEASONTON.

On Sunday afternoon a fire was discovered in a house in the upper end of the village of Fecundus, in the oil regions of Pennsylvania, and in less than two hours the place was in ashes. About fifty buildings were burned, but no lives were lost. There is little insurance on the property.

The Treasury detectives recently discovered a gang of counterfeiters at Black Point, Ga., who afterward removed to Fernandina, Fla., but becoming suspicious fled back to Black Point, where three of them were arrested. Their names are BROWN R. NOBLE, R. NOBLE and O. SWEET. Counterfeit gold coin of the denomination of $5 was found in their possession.

Gen. BUTLER addressed the colored politicians of Boston last night at their chapel in North Russell-street, on political subjects. The speech was quite long, but very interesting.

The oil-house, pattern-house and round-house of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad, in Wilmington, Del., were burned yesterday, together with fifteen or six[illegible] locomotives in and about the round-house. George W. Bush's binding-wood factory, where the fire began, was burned, with a sloop owned by him.

The bark *Comet*, from Honolulu, reports at San Francisco that the ship *Lelbey* has been wrecked on Baker's Island, but she has not gone to pieces, and may be gotten off.

The Secretary of the Treasury has authorized the Collector of San Diego, Cal., to enter and clear vessels, with their cargoes, arriving at or departing from that port, to grant permits for the landing of goods imported from a foreign country. This is done to avoid sending goods from Panama to San Francisco to be entered.

An affray occurred in Philadelphia on Sunday night, during which ROMANT SIMMS fired a pistol several times and wounded ANTHONY MYRES in the leg. The Police were present, but SMITH was allowed to leave with the pistol still in his possession.

Major JOHN HUGHES, while intoxicated, shot, and, it is supposed, mortally wounded a man in Greenville, Ohio, on Saturday. HUGHES is now in jail.

Vice-President COLFAX left South Bend, Ind., on Sunday evening for Washington, to be present at the extra session of the Senate.

The body of HENRY L. JOY, who disappeared from Saco, Me., some weeks ago with a woman named MCCARTY, was found on Sunday washed ashore near there. The body of the woman was found drowned soon after their disappearance.

A Poughkeepsie dispatch says "there is an extraordinary change in the weather. The farmers in the interior report a heavy frost on Sunday night."

The Treasurer of the United States made telegraphic transfer yesterday of a quarter of a million in coin from the Sub-Treasury in San Francisco to the Sub-Treasury in New-York.

The breach in the Erie Canal at Oxbow is nearly filled up. The water will be let in today and boats will be enabled to pass on Friday.

Strawberries are a drug in the market in San Francisco. Six hundred chests arrived on one train on Saturday, and they are retailing at from four to six cents per pound.

The infantoon of Secretary BELKNAP, who has been lying sick at Cincinnati for some time, died yesterday at the Burnet House.

No trace has been found of the Tyndale murderers in Springfield, Ill. Citizens of Belleville, Ill., have subscribed $650 as a reward for the arrest of the criminals. The total amount now offered is $4,200.

The Two Parties.

Gen. BUTLER'S speech at Boston will not be satisfactory to the Democrats—his speeches very seldom are; but the Democrats are not the only people in the United States, although their general line of argument is based upon the theory that they are. To those who still believe that it was a wise thing to prevent the South from splitting the country in twain, and to preserve the United States as a great nation instead of a "concourse of atoms," the speech which we report to-day will be found to contain many passages of interest. It will be easy for the Democratic journals to abuse Gen. BUTLER, but it will not be so easy for them to get over his facts. He sets forth some of the grounds upon which the Republican Party is entitled to the confidence and gratitude of the people, and if Mr. BUTLER'S arguments are attentively considered, they will carry conviction to all fair-minded readers.

No one whose means of observation are at all varied can doubt Gen. BUTLER'S statement with reference to the growing favor in which the Republican Party is regarded by the people. Both sides have had a good hearing within the last few months; the Democrats especially, being in opposition, have taken advantage of every opportunity to put their case before the people. All that they can urge in their own favor, and against their antagonists, has been set forth in some shape or other. A torrent of calumny and vituperation has been turned upon Gen. GRANT, and it has run off him as freely as rain from a duck's back. There are very few crimes known to mankind of which the President has not been accused by his Democratic assailants. They can never forgive him for the part he took in putting down the war of Secession, and for obstinately refusing to fall into the trap set for ANDREW JOHNSON. But what has been the effect of this storm of obloquy? It has disgusted the majority of the people, who easily divined the true motives of the Democratic attacks. Today Gen. GRANT is stronger in the country than he was before these innumerable slanders set to work upon him. And this is a fact which we may venture to bring to the attention of our excellent Vice-President, who has on several occasions referred, in a sad strain, to the discouragements offered to public men by the calumnies heaped upon them. All that Mr. COLFAX has said on this subject is very true, but it is not the whole truth. A man occupying a prominent position is pretty sure to receive much injustice; but his great consolation should be that, if he does his duty faithfully, the people will in the end see him righted. A man can make up his mind to bear the attacks of any number of enemies, provided he is laboring in a good cause; for he may be quite sure that the public will do justice to his work. The President is already finding this out. Probably he would not deny that he has made some mistakes in the course of his administration; but they have been the mistakes of an honest man—not the vicious and malignant acts of a politician who would at any time sacrifice country to party. Each year brings him new and valuable experience, and we may confidently anticipate that the latter part of his term of office will be satisfactory to the party which he represents, and to all men whose minds are not haunted with gloomy dreams about the "Lost Cause."

The wild and excited din raised by the Democrats cannot confuse the public mind with regard to the ground now occupied by the two great parties. The Republicans are in the main laboring to prevent a revival of civil war, to place the results achieved since '61 on a durable basis, to assure the continued prosperity of the country, and to break down political corruption. The Democrats, on the other hand, aim at objects which would never be approved by the people. They desire to extend the principles of corruption which we see in this State to the National Government; and the effect of their return to power would be to unsettle all our financial securities, whether held at home or abroad. Even Democrats themselves would call any United States bonds they happened to hold the moment their party obtained the ascendancy in the country, for they know that the PENDLETON theories are by no means dead. Moreover, with every new indication of Democratic successes, the disorders in the South increase. They were never much more frequent than immediately after the New-Hampshire election. They diminished again after the election in Connecticut. They will revive whenever the Democrats have another victory. Gen. BUTLER called the attention of his audience to these undeniable circumstances, and we have often brought them to the notice of our readers. They carry with them their own moral. If the people wish once more to incur the risks of civil strife, they will go over to the Democrats. If they have no desire to make that terrible experiment, they will still support the Republican Party—which, with all its faults, is sincerely patriotic in all its aims, is a safe party to entrust with the direction of national affairs, and is entirely free from the dark stains of treason which rest upon the Democrats.

Louis Napoleon and France.

There could not be a more striking proof of the utter chaos among existing parties in France, than the persistent vitality of the rumor concerning the secret return of the Emperor NAPOLEON. It is premature to speculate upon its significance as a statement of fact, for, besides its inherent improbability, the report rests upon no trustworthy foundation. It has very probably been thrown out as a feeler, to test public opinion in France before an actual appeal to the Bonapartists and the people. The most notable thing about it is, that such a rumor should circulate without being regarded with very much surprise or incredulity. It is but eight months since the disaster of Sedan, the vote of perpetual exclusion against the BONAPARTES, and the proclamation of the Republic in the Hôtel de Ville. The escape from Paris of the poor Empress was, as we know, attended by great peril and difficulty. Had the Emperor been in the Tuileries, instead of with the army when the news of MCMAHON'S disaster reached the capital, it is hardly probable that he could have escaped with his life. And yet, while it wants yet four months of the first anniversary of his dethronement, we find France sadly in want of another "Savior of Society," and the question becomes a tolerably open one whether a majority of the people could not be found who would reinstate NAPOLEON III. in that capacity. Thirty-four years ago LOUIS BONAPARTE wrote from New-York these words, in a letter to one of his partisans, "The Imperial system is not a bastard imitation of the English or American Constitution. On the contrary, it is the administrative formula of the principles of the revolution, the hierarchy in democracy, equality in law, and recompense for merit. * * And if one day existing parties should overthrow actual power, (as the example of the past fifty years permits us to expect,) and if, habituated as they have been for twenty years to despise authority, they sapped all the bases of the social edifice—then, perhaps, the name of NAPOLEON will be an anchor of safety for all there is truly generous and patriotic in France."

How utterly improbable it appeared then that the son of Queen HORTENSE would ever rule France everybody knows. Even, with decaying energies and vacillating purposes, the chances against him are far less now. But for France the necessity would be an infinitely more humiliating one to turn for safety to the representative of eighteen years of deceitful order, and four weeks of shameful disaster, than it was to accept the adventurer of Strasbourg and Boulogne. Then the Imperial system had tempting promises and a great opportunity; now it means government by the army, the regency of a woman ruled by priests, and an endless vista of revolutions. Then absolutism was seen only on the outside, as a thing that might accomplish, as it did, great material progress; now, it has been exposed in its effects on government and on society, and has been identified with corruption and inefficiency in the one and immorality and loss of self-respect in the other. And yet, with all the hidden abomination of Imperialism, down to its secret correspondence, fully laid bare, the partisans of NAPOLEON III. can intrigue among the rest of the factions, with at least as fair a chance of success as any of them. "What have you done with France?" asked the Duke of AUMALE, in his celebrated pamphlet, addressed to the Emperor. The fanatics of the Commune have accomplished no more fatal task than this, that in spite of all the Imperial transgressions, they have, by still deeper infamy, led France and the world to forget for a moment how fatal was the rule of the man of the 2d December.

Communism and Bonapartism have this much in common, that they appear to be able to exist independently of their heads. NAPOLEON III. has lost nearly every physical and mental qualification for a vigorous ruler; yet his cause is not dead. The Commune has changed all its leaders, both civil and military, and has lost the adhesion of the few men with brains who believed in it, and yet it remains unconquered. Even ROCHEFORT stands aloof from it, and VICTOR HUGO has issued a manifesto against it. The latter has published so much that can fitly be termed political ravings that it is not a little refreshing to find him writing as follows: "Two republics are possible; * * * one that will ruin the rich without enriching the poor; destroy credit, which is the fortune of all; and labor, which is the bread of every one; will abolish property and family bonds, will fill prisons from suspicion, and empty them by massacre, will set Europe in flames and reduce civilization to ashes, will make France the country of darkness, strangle liberty, stifle the arts, destroy human thought and deny God; the other will be the sacred communion of all Frenchmen, from the present moment, and of all nations, one day, on the Democratic principle. Of these two republics, one is called civilization—the other terror. I am ready to devote my life to establish the one and prevent the other." There is an alternative which the author of *Notre Dame* does not appear to recognize, and that is, a revival of despotism—a return to the vicious circle in which France has travelled ever since the adoption of that formula of social and political barrenness called "the principles of '89."

How to Manage an Election.

We are afraid that Gov. ENGLISH'S friends in Connecticut will never be able to compete with their Tammany backers in working up a successful case of election fraud. Notwithstanding the full and particular instructions they received from Tammany experts, who were sent out to New-Haven for that purpose, prior to the late election, they have only succeeded in botching the whole business. The case made out by them is "too thin" even for Democratic credulity. They first attempted to convict the Republicans with the aid of Tammany repeaters sent on from New-York; but that device was frustrated by the timely presence of Capt. BRACKETT and other detectives, who were able to "spot" the thieves the moment they showed their faces around the polls. They next tried to miscount the votes; but this was found to be a difficult task where every man voted an open ballot, as they do in Connecticut, and where there were no "Tammany Republican" canvassers who could be bribed. Finally, as a last resort, the task of carrying out the Tammany programme was thrown upon the "Moderator," whose duty it was to declare the result. He had a difficult job to perform, but he doubtless did the best he could. He had heard that the "easiest way was the best way," and, as it was an easy thing to "declare" that ENGLISH had received one hundred more votes than were polled for him, he cut the Gordian knot by so "declaring." But he forgot all about the registry, or, if he did not forget it himself, he took it for granted that other people would. On that rock he grounded, and he has been bumping about upon it ever since; and the more he is bumped the worse he finds it for himself and his party.

A simple glance at the registry showed that the one hundred extra count for ENGLISH summed up just one hundred more votes than there were polled in that ward. The fraud was made still further apparent by the vote for Representative, in which the Democratic candidate received just one hundred votes less than the moderator had declared for ENGLISH. The trick became fully exposed, and the Democracy of Connecticut were then forced to put in the extravagant plea that, even admitting the fraud as charged, there was no power under the Constitution to remedy it. Like their Southern brethren lately in rebellion, having been driven to the "last ditch," they took shelter under the Constitution. As soon as the "Constitution" could be used to protect their villainy, it became a sacred instrument in their eyes. But even that trick did not serve them. The Connecticut Republicans were able to discover a constitutional method of ascertaining who was legally elected Governor, even as the Republicans of the United States were enabled to find a constitutional way of putting down the rebellion. The Legislature authorized an investigation. The ballot-box in the disputed ward was to be overhauled.

Now came the trying time for the Democratic Moderator. He finds that the "easiest way" is not always the "best way," after all. Another maxim comes home to his mind—"one lie leads to half a dozen and ends in crime." He was equal to the emergency, and therein proved himself a true disciple of St. Tammany. A recount of the votes in the fatal box (which has all this time been in the custody of the "Moderator,") discloses the fact that one hundred JEWELL votes have been abstracted to make the false count for ENGLISH tally with the Registry. But this too has failed. In addition to the vote for Representative, which tells the whole story, the Legislative committee has put the fraud beyond further question by calling upon the voters in the Fourth Ward of New-Haven to come forward and state for whom they cast their ballots as Governor. Their names are all on the Registry, and all who voted are checked, so that there can be no deception in the matter. Already a sufficient number has responded to the call to prove that JEWELL'S vote, as originally declared, (579,) was correct, and that one hundred of his ballots have been abstracted since the box has been in the custody of the "Moderator." What device the Connecticut Democracy will resort to next remains to be seen. The Tammany chiefs ought to go on there immediately and tell them what to do. They are in a dilemma, and it will require all the ingenuity of our "Ring," aided by their double-entry book-keeper, to get them out of it. We trust that the Legislative Committee will not be content with showing up this latest fraud of the Democracy, and reporting to the Assembly to-morrow that JEWELL was legally elected Governor, but that they will take immediate steps to prosecute the parties who have thus attempted to defraud the people of Connecticut out of the Governor of their choice.

Facts for Financiers.

The Democratic administration of City and County affairs has made away with something like twenty-five or thirty millions of money per annum in taxes, street assessments, licenses and so forth, and have issued about forty millions in new City stocks and other obligations, which are now to be consolidated into City stocks. We are compelled to speak in round numbers, as no official report on the finances from the Controller has been published within three years. The taxes and assessments, however, are stated within the actual collections in the three years, and the addition to the debt is stated on the authority of the recent admissions of the Controller. Assuming only one hundred and twenty millions, or forty millions per annum, as the extent of expenditure, if you please, the question reasonably occurs, what is there left to show for this vast sum of treasure drawn from the tax-payers and bondholders of New-York? If there is anything material or palpable to the eye beyond an unfinished Court-house, whose cost is not the least of the gross scandals of the Ring, the whole public have failed to discover it.

Now these same men propose to supplement their gigantic swindle in the next few years, beginning with forty-eight millions in 1871, and ending heaven only knows where or how. It may be that like Paris, the City of New-York, after being made to scandalize the whole nation, is to be precipitated to her own ruin, through the very instrumentalities which are now being employed to enrich and elevate the architects of these stupendous, and thus far unchecked, frauds. The rapid strides to pure imperialism, and the fearful multiplication of debt and taxes to sustain these men in the Government of the City and County of New-York, have been exposed in no mincing terms by the Independent Press, —which, if in the minority, has not been wanting in fidelity to the public interest. For more than a year past, the thirty or forty millions added to the debt, have been more than suspected, though systematically concealed in the Controller's office. And now that they are partially admitted, and an act of the Legislature obtained to consolidate the whole debt, in order to cover up the scandalous nature of the recent increase, the fling turn upon us, through their paid retainers, with the charge that we are impeaching the wealth and responsibility of New-York in exposing these abuses of her credit!

But this is not their chief grievance. They not only aim to consolidate their present debt, whatever it may be, but they seek other plunder through an entirely new creation of stocks. They want five millions with which to begin the viaduct road, and eleven millions more for other objects, and then the further sum of eight millions in obligations in anticipation of assessments for street-openings and licenses—the whole twenty-four millions being totally irrespective of the annual budget of ordinary taxes.

All this we have treated, and shall continue to treat, as a gross abuse of the City credit. It can only be arrested by the efforts of our great private capitalists, and the honest men in charge of our banks and savings institutions, who feel with us that the abuse is fearfully on the increase. If it is not in their power to practically arrest the further creation and sale of City stocks, they can, at least, stamp the operation with their disapproval. The "honor" of the City is really more concerned in this course, than in making proclamation to the whole world that she is rich enough and willing enough to bear any amount of debt, as well as any amount of taxation which her rulers may impose upon her property-holders. There is, also, we take leave to say, a question of self-respect, if not of self-preservation, involved, for all good citizens of wealth, and all prudent citizens who manage the savings of others. They cannot, in self-respect, or out of a proper sense of duty to their trusts, continue to deal with the corrupt Ring, who are creating and scattering the bonds and obligations of the City and County broadcast, wherever they can find the money—the savings banks heretofore constituting their richest placer—and then squandering the proceeds in jobbery, and upon parasites, and retainers, and ballot-stuffers, (to say nothing of sectarian charities,) as the means of controlling the Government of the State and City.

Conjugal Felicity.

The scandalous divorce laws of many of our Western States are giving rise to much crime, springing from jealousy or infidelity. Within a few days, and within a few miles of each other in the West, two cases have occurred resembling each other so closely as to suggest either the imitation, or the even more remarkable coincidence, which often gives rise to what is called an epidemic of some phenomenal crimes. In the one instance it was a husband murdered by his wife, in the other a wife supposed to be murdered by her husband. In both, the deed was committed with the same weapon, and in the same unusual way. Mrs. TRAIN, of Cincinnati, inspired by jealousy, shot her husband while he slept, with a pistol, the report of which she muffled by putting it under the bed-clothes, and so discharging it. About a week after, Mr. WM. WHITE, residing near Louisville, is supposed, under some as yet unknown inspiration, to have shot his wife after much the same fashion, but with additional circumstances of almost incredible brutality. The nephew of the murdered woman, hearing her scream in the night, went to her room, and found her lying on the floor, her husband being in bed. "She was groaning," states the newspaper account, "and said several times that she was shot. Her husband remarked, 'I wish you would hush—you are always making a fuss!'" Thereupon the nephew, who seems to have been a remarkably discreet young man, returned to his room and went to sleep. In the morning Mrs. WHITE was found "lying on the bed weltering in blood." Her husband was in an adjoining room, asleep on a sofa. His explanation was that he had heard a pistol-shot in the night, and that his wife saw a man in the yard. To add to the mystery of the case, the murdered woman, up to the time of her death, a day or so later, said nothing to implicate her husband. So suspicious were the circumstances, however, that he was arrested and lodged in jail.

A parallel to both these cases may be traced in the assassination of the wife of a German inn-keeper, some weeks since, near Cincinnati. She, too, was shot in her sleep, but, according to the testimony of her husband, by a burglar who was attempting to carry off the money which the inn-keeper was known to have drawn from the bank for the payment of his rent. This story of the husband, we believe, has been accepted as true. Another singular case was the recent immolation of an entire family in Illinois on the altar of a crazy spiritualism. The parents having made up their minds that this life was not worth living for, and that they would go to the world of glory, and having put on paper for the enlightenment of the public a statement of these views, first strangled their three children, and then deliberately committed suicide. A more common incentive to crime is found in the conduct of the inebriated printer who, at St. Louis, a day or two ago, shot his wife and then himself, apparently in a drunken freak. The commonest source of these double tragedies is of course jealousy, and examples of this sort are far too frequent to need repetition.

In all this sad catalogue there is evident the influence of those degrading notions of marriage which have, to so great an extent, demoralized society throughout the country, but more especially in the West. The late Scanland case in Chicago furnishes an additional evidence, if any were needed, of the deplorable laxity of sentiment prevalent in this relation. Undoubtedly much of this demoralization is, as we have said, directly traceable to the reprehensible divorce laws of some of the Western States, which in their operation tend to destroy all the social virtues by weakening all the domestic ties. We are glad to see that the Legislature of Indiana has taken steps to wipe out in some measure the reproach that has so long rested on that State, by a partial revision of her divorce laws. This admirable movement of Indiana might profitably be followed or even improved, by some of her immediate neighbors.

MINOR TOPICS.

It will be seen from our Washington dispatch that the Treaty agreed to by the Joint High Commission has been signed. In the absence of the true text of the document, it would be unsatisfactory to discuss it—and it is quite clear that the speculations of some of our contemporaries on the subject are based upon mere supposition. The *Herald* yesterday gave a list of claims of British subjects which it said the Treaty would involve, the truth being that five-sixths of those claims have already been disposed of. We may remark, however, that it is to be regretted that the claims of British subjects should have been mixed up with the settlement of the *Alabama* claims at all. The Courts at Washington ought to have afforded sufficient redress for all British subjects who had sustained injuries for which compensation could reasonably be asked. These Courts have been appealed to in a large number of cases, and justice has been done. The *Alabama* claims were of a totally different character, involving as they did a great and acknowledged international wrong, and we do not believe that the people of this country will ever be satisfied to see British claims against us put upon the same footing with them. There may be something in the treaty which justifies the arrangement proposed, but the idea of producing British claims as a set-off to the damages inflicted by the *Alabama* in one which, according to our present information, seems totally opposed to all principles of fair dealing. The treaty itself may throw a different light on the subject, and we hope it will.

The Tammany Republicans of this City must be very hard-pressed for ammunition against the President when they are obliged to fall back upon the recent changes in the Senate Committees. We have already printed the following resolution, passed last week at a meeting of the "Republican" General Committee, but it is so remarkable an effort of the human mind that it is worth reproducing:—

Resolved, That the recent deposition of the United States Senate of CHARLES SUMNER, of Massachusetts, from Senatorial dignities, declines in the American eye with startling distinctness the outlines of this tragic tableau. It is the 12th day of May, 1869. The curtain rises upon a Senate Chamber, a seated Senator and a stricken blow. The 10th day of May, 1871, has come. Again the Senate Chamber. The seated Senator and a blow. Fifteen years have passed. The Senate house and the man the same. Say you who saw the deed, all else unchanged, how falls the blow of slavery then, beneath the blow sped by vicarious vengeance now?

Is this intended for poetry or prose? It looks at first sight like the production of a school-girl in hysterics, rather than a solemn "manifesto" of a Committee aspiring to represent the Republican Party. The ability of that Committee may fairly be measured by the above "elegant extract," and their honesty may be gauged by the proportion of their number who are hired by Tammany to destroy the Republican Party.

It is impossible to read the details of the anti-match tax riots in London without reflecting how dangerous the poverty and ignorance of the English metropolis may one day prove to the rulers who have so long neglected them. The poor boys and girls whom the ill-advised proposition of Mr. LOWE brought from the slums of East London, to protest against the meditated injustice, were so ignorant that they did not know where to find the Houses of Parliament. They had but one idea in their heads—the match-makers ought not to be ruined. Yet, wanting as these poor creatures were in all the characteristics of revolutionists, they are just such stuff as "Reds" who have an aim and a purpose, can enlist under their banners. Given, a good popular grievance, and there are hundreds of thousands of people in London before whom the respectable would be as impotent as they have been, under similar circumstances, in Paris. CHARLES I. might have kept his head had not somebody introduced into it the unhappy idea of levying ship-money upon his subjects. It would be curious enough if future historians were left to trace the downfall of Mr. GLADSTONE to the attempt to impose a tax upon lucifer matches. The royal martyr had his STAFFORD. "The people's WILLIAM" has his BOB LOWE, and the pedagogue bids fair to be as fatal an adviser as the courtier. On the occasion of the match-makers' demonstration, Mr. GLADSTONE was hooted, while Mr. DISRAELI was cheered, and the too-inventive Mr. LOWE had to get into the House of Commons by a subterranean passage. The naughty little boys got the better of the quondam school-master for once. The London *Times*, too, is deserting its once attached friend, and, altogether, it seems as if pedagogism had as bad luck in English politics as, displayed in the columns of the *World*, it has in the politics of New-York.

We commend to the notice of the benevolent the "words of advice" with reference to appeals for aid, furnished by Mr. LEWIS E. JACKSON, Secretary of the City Mission, and published in another column. But, reasonable as these hints are, they do not meet, unless in a very partial way, the evils complained of by our correspondents who favor the creation of a Bureau of Charities. No doubt, if people took trouble enough, misdirected charity would be almost unknown, but the misfortune is that very few recognize the fact that there is a distinct responsibility incurred in giving away money for benevolent ends. In addition to this, there is an enormous waste of charitable funds and energy in this as in other cities, from the want of anything like organization or co-operation among existing societies. The dispensaries referred to by a correspondent yesterday form but a type of the abuses which can be perpetrated under the mantle of benevolence, and for the correction of which some central controlling Board is greatly needed.

Liberal reformers in Belgium are attempting to introduce an interesting electoral experiment in that little country. They propose reducing a capacity to read and write the essential qualification of a voter. Hitherto, the payment of a certain amount of taxes has been the basis of the franchise. A good many liberal politicians in Belgium believe that the establishment of universal suffrage would be a gain to the party of reaction and religious intolerance, for pretty much the same reasons that it has been found so in France. The rural population would supply by far the larger proportion of voters. The rural population is ruled by the priests, and these, as in many other free countries, the priests of the Roman Church are on the side of despotism and the foes of liberal progress. Hence the attempt to counteract a democracy in which ignorance shall be dominant.

Now that the President of the Erie Railroad has been convicted that a United States Court considers equivocation and contempt as convertible terms, we are in a fair way to have such a "chapter of Erie," by one of the actors, as shall quite shadow that of Mr. ADAMS. It really appears as if the great financial transactions of Erie would turn out to have been a sort of circular game among a knot of so-called firms, which are in reality the leading directors under various aliases. In their official capacity they decree the issue of one or more convertible bonds; in their financial capacity they advance money upon them, which, never closely examined, turns out not to have been money at all, but shares which are ostensibly turned into money, but yet have a peculiarity of reappearing in the possession of their original owner, in one other of his multiplied disguises.

AMUSEMENTS.

Academy of Music.

"RIGOLETTO" AT THE ACADEMY.

Another splendid house greeted the production of "Rigoletto," last night, at the Academy. The public appear to have made up their minds to have faith in M. ALTIERI, and such step that gentleman has taken certainly justifies the confidence. "Rigoletto" was carefully and evenly sung on this occasion, and well sustained the standard of merit reached by the operas immediately preceding it. Opera-goers are familiar with Miss KELLOGG'S *Gilda*. It was always an agreeable and natural embodiment; is is now a beautifully finished and symmetrical one. The admirers of our young prima donna were in strong force last night, and testified their appreciation of her efforts in a lively manner. Signor VILLANI, as we expected, grows on his audience. His *Duke* is a worthy companion portrait to his *Rosario*, and was in some instances more warmly applauded. The re-entrance of Signor ORLANDINI as *Rigoletto* was noticed with cordiality. This baritone has sharpened his style somewhat, and with both visible and audible improvement. Other parts of the distribution were well received by the public. M. ARDITI has now got through almost one-half his season, with results that must equal his best hopes. As the skies promise to be auspicious, and none of the most attractive operas of the list remain to be sung, we cannot doubt the ample success of this experiment. That success has not been won without hard work, and we rejoice both that a manager has had the courage to make such an attempt, and that the public, after so many disappointments, have had the generosity to appreciate and reward it. To-morrow the "Sicilian Vespers" will be sung, and on Friday "Faust."

Theatrical.

"RANDALL'S THUMB" AT WALLACK'S.

MR. WALLACK, ever in the van as regards the novelty no less than the intrinsic excellence of his productions, offered still another new play last night to his audience, and with his customary well-earned success. Indeed, such was the popular appreciation of "Randall's Thumb," and such its manifest capacity for growing on the public fancy, that we shall be surprised if it does not run until the end of the season.

"Randall's Thumb" is a drama of not a little merit as regards construction, strictly constructed characters, and clever, if rather unequal, dialogue. The main fable is not particularly original, although the use made of it may be thought so. In Mrs. RIDDELL'S novel of *A Life's Assize*, the chief incident is, in fact, identical with that of "Randall's Thumb." A man has committed an act which, while morally innocent, is legally criminal. So long as it remains concealed from the law, he is safe. But should his complicity with the death of a certain person, who met his death by violence, (and, in truth, by his hand,) become known, the circumstantial evidence would be conclusive against him. He would find it impossible, that is to say, to establish his innocence. In the play a certain scheming rascal named Randall (Mr. CHARLES FISHER) is privy to the homicide, thus committed by Bucklethorpe, (Mr. RINGOLD,) and the latter unhappy person is thus kept under "Randall's Thumb," and made for a time to assent to and connive in that villain's selfish designs. The purpose of the play is consistently revealed in the first act, and the more sombre tints are set forth by some very happy comic passages between two married men, his and one to-be-wedded pair, who, entertaining various plans of mystification and cross purposes, create almost unbounded mirth. Mr. GILBERT and Mrs. HEFFON, Mr. STODDART and Miss MCINTYRE, and Mr. MARLOWE and Miss GERMON respectively sustain the parts in question, and succeed admirably in carrying out the obvious intention of the author.

The second act, being devoted to a picnic among rocks by the sea-shore, furnishes scope for some extremely amusing situations, and, at the close, for a very difficult and very pretty scenic effect. Mr. GILBERT as Mr. Sandiford has a drunken scene here, which is overcharged with humor, and in which he makes the best of the situation with mellow and complete art. Mr. FISHER plays the scoundrelly passages given to Randall superbly. The portraiture will take rank with the finest this capital artist has ever given. Mr. STODDART is diverting and successful as Sampler, the fashion-besotted tailor who is pursued by the feminine wiles of Miss Spin; which lady, as acted by Miss MCINTYRE, becomes one of the most conspicuous and animated of the group. Mr. RINGOLD is simple and manly in Bucklethorpe, Mr. MARLOWE'S agreeable and spirited in Pisenbeys and Miss GERMON has an efficient representative in Mrs. CLARA JENNINGS. Altogether, the drama is judiciously and neatly performed, and, so far as boisterous mirth and long-continued applause indicate dramatic desert, "Randall's Thumb" must be pronounced rich in it. The close of the second act, depicting the rise of the tide, is a remarkably well-managed bit of mechanism, and the curtain descends on one of the most copious and original stage tableaux we remember to have seen.

In the third act Vice is duly punished and Virtue appropriately rewarded; and the audience, having been called upon to laugh much more frequently than to cry, are vastly satisfied. "Randall's Thumb" contains some things that are distinctly unnatural, and, to hazard a compendious criticism, the author, Mr. W. S. GILBERT, knows the stage better than he knows the world. He understands dramatic effect, that is, but he makes his people do and say what in real life must be held to be distinctly impossible. Yet if his play does not teach, it certainly amuses; and capitally done as it is at Wallack's, its profitable run is from the first assured. "Randall's Thumb" will be acted until further notice.

MR. CHARLES MATHEWS IN "DUKE UP."

A change of bill was made last night at the Fifth-avenue Theatre, for the purpose of introducing Mr. CHARLES MATHEWS in his expert representation of *Sir Charles Coldstream*. A performance so well known as this, one that he

been admired in two languages and pronounced by the most experienced judges unequaled in its way, hardly at this time requires fresh encomium. Its inestimable ease, polish, and endearing leave have been too long recognized for that. It may be said, nevertheless, that Miss ELLEN OTIS' version of Mr. MATHEWS' in this felicitous series, his *Sir Charles Coldstream*, quite captivated the audience. The house was very full, and the applause and laughter were abundant. Miss LINDA DIETZ played *Mary Worrell* with tact and spirit, and looked as fetchingly and fresh as a May morning. Mr. WHITMORE and Mr. DE VERE were also seen to advantage in the piece, which, with the "Cruise," made up one of the most delightful entertainments it has been our lot to witness. The same bill will be repeated this evening, and on Wednesday "The Bachelor of Arts" is to be acted.

"KIT" AT BIRCH'S.

The engagement of Mr. F. S. CHANFRAU at Niblo's Theatre was commenced last evening. With it began the run of "Kit, the Arkansas Traveler," written for Mr. CHANFRAU by Mr. HOWARD STERBCKER, and already acted throughout the States with a popular success it seems likely to enjoy here. The story of the drama is narrated in a prologue and four acts. The prefatory scenes make known the fact that *Kit Beddoes*, an Arkansas farmer, has married *Mary*, who some years previous maintained relations with *Manuel Bond*, a gambler and a desperado. The happiness of the *Beddoes* is dispelled by the appearance of *Bond*, who tears from the husband his wife and their child *Alice*. In the act following the first—*Kit Beddoes*—is disclosed as a wealthy, but broken-hearted merchant, seeking forgetfulness of past misfortune in drink. Encountering *Manuel Bond*, now named *Hastings*, and accompanied by *Alice*, grown into womanhood, and called by him his ward, *Kit*, under the influence of an undefinable suspicion of the man's identity, tracks him on a voyage on the Mississippi River. While the parties are aboard the steam-boat, *Kit* meets *Alice*, and soon becomes convinced, as she does herself, that she is his daughter. Meantime *Bond* has planned the destruction of the boat by fire, with intent to rob the safe in the confusion. An instant previous to the execution of the plan, *Kit* is stricken down by *Bond*, whom he now recognizes fully. Then the act of destruction is committed, and the *Modern* sinks, *Bond*, however, only escaping to an island, to be there rejoined by all the characters in the play and to perish in a hand-to-hand struggle with *Kit*. These, of course, are but the leading incidents of Mr. STERBCKER'S composition. Though they cannot be regarded as novel, they are valuable as forming a strong thread with which to connect a number of "effects," subsidiary in a purely dramatic sense, but so striking, from a theatric stand-point, as to insure in our opinion the popularity, for a good many nights, of the "Arkansas Traveler." Realistic pictures of every-day life in the West—presumably realistic, be it understood—exciting situations and good scenic features are the ingredients in question, the persons introduced being also interesting as representative types from distant places. Satisfying acting, and almost all that could be accomplished by the painter and carpenter, contributed in the right proportion to the cheering results, for author, actor, and manager, of the first hearing of "Kit." The scenery, from the facile and vigorous brush of Mr. VOSCELIN, is abundant, and its most important sets are elaborate and handsome. The levee in St. Louis, the saloon of the *Modern*, and the deck of that steamboat, are the most conspicuous fruits of Mr. VOSCELIN'S labors, and their truthfulness does the artist infinite credit. The actual recital of the drama is more agreeable to recollect in its entirety, than by its details. Mr. CHANFRAU was yesterday rather disappointing as *Kit*, a character suggesting a more varied and studied presentation. At the same time it must be conceded that the touching passage of the third act, in which he makes himself known to his daughter, was rendered by Mr. CHANFRAU with much pathos, and that he hurried on the final events with vivacity and power. Mr. G. C. BOMPASS fills the rather vague outlines of *Manuel Bond* with the conventional but natural nonchalance of a not unpolished scoundrel. Miss ROSA EVANS has altogether too marked an inclination for what is commonly called tragedy for her age, both as an actress and as *Alice Bond*ing. There is an amount of premeditation in speech and gesture disagreeable in the stripling of a little time of unadvanced efforts, and positively painful in a fresh and, in look, a promising player. The other parts are accessory to these three, but of much moment to the action. An amusing sketch of a henpecked husband, *Mr. Stubbs*, is supplied by Mr. J. H. JACK. A droll cockney—*Lord Fitzfolle*—is very cleverly dressed and nicely acted by Mr. RUNDLE. *Judge Suggs* and *Major Squiggs*, who figure in downright low comedy business of a most laughable kind, are most skillfully clothed and portrayed by Mr. HARRY HOTTO and Mr. H. A. WEAVER. To these illustrations, Mr. C. T. PARSLOE adds the embodiment of the impertinent, vulgar, noisy and wholly improbable negro. Mr. PARSLOE further strengthens matters by the employment of his pupil, Master BENFIN, who sings and dances after the approved fashion of concert-saloons of the lowest grade. In our eyes, the sight of the poor lad's toil is saddening. Mr. BIRCH'S Society, unluckily, does not extend its protection to the human race. The favor, too, with which the spectacle is greeted quenches even a ray of hope for the future. We trusted that Mr. PARSLOE would have no successors. He is no longer unique.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.

"Help," a new drama by Mr. F. G. MAEDER, was produced at this establishment last evening. It was written for the purpose of giving Mr. JOSEPH MURPHY an opportunity of exhibiting his versatility in the various characters of *Ned Daly*, *Pat O'Shaughnessy*, *Michie O'Gaff* and *Christopher Lofkenstein*. The plot of the piece may be briefly told. *Tracy Randal*—a wolf in the fold—is engaged in various villainies, among which bank robberies, child kidnapping and unorthodox ways of disposing of his own wife are the most prominent. These are seriously interfered with by *Ned Daly*, who assumes, for the purpose, the disguises of a simple-minded young Irishman, a blind fiddler and a "Glassgupdim-man." In the second act Mr. MURPHY introduces a number of characteristic songs and dances, with rapid changes of costume, and some Ethiopian specialties, all of which are cleverly performed. The work abounds in smart dialogue, witticisms and "telling" situations, and is carefully put upon the stage. The distribution sets forth the strength of the company, now including Messrs. KERNS, CARRIL, CHARLES, MESTAYER and WALSH, with Misses FIRMIN, ATHERTON, ALICE HARRISON, STANLEY and MORRIS. "Help" was received last evening in a manner highly flattering to the author, and offering promise of a run of no ordinary length.

A Relic of Revolutionary Times.

From the Philadelphia Telegraph, May 6.

A fence is still standing in Germantown which was in its present location during the days of the Revolution, and still bears the marks upon it of the battle of Germantown. It is upon the place of Mr. ELWOOD JOHNSON, Main-street, above Washington-lane. The property formerly belonged to the KEYSER family, and was formerly in the possession of old PETER KEYSER, who was a boy when the battle of Germantown was fought. He remembered, and used to tell of the burial of eight British soldiers in one grave in Axe's Graveyard, nearly opposite his father's house. The fence was built of inch boards, but they are now not more than a third of an inch in thickness, having been exposed to the weather for nearly a century. The posts are of red cedar, and have never been removed since they were first erected, Mr. KEYSER having refused to have the fence removed during his lifetime, and the present owner retaining it as it has stood so long. Miss KEYSER was a Dunkard preacher, and was noted for her great memory, being able to quote the concluding sentence of any verse of Scripture that might be mentioned. On the north corner of the Johnsons' family mansion, immediately adjoining the estate of the KEYSER'S, there is a stone from which a piece was knocked away by a cannon-ball during the battle of Germantown. The whole locality is full of such curiosities.

THE POLITICAL SITUATION.

Address by Gen. Butler Before the Colored Men of Boston.

Comprehensive Survey of the Leading Questions of the Day.

The Kuklux Outrages—Responsibility of the Democratic Party—The Future Usefulness of the Colored Citizens.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

BOSTON, May 8.—The colored population of this city were out en masse to-night for the purpose of hearing Gen. B. F. BUTLER'S address, which he was invited to deliver a few days ago. The meeting of the colored men of Boston was held in their chapel in North Russell-street, and the edifice was crowded to suffocation. Gen. BUTLER was warmly received by his colored friends, and in his address touched upon the leading political topics of the hour. He sketched in vigorous manner the progress made by the colored men of the South, since their emancipation, and claimed that they were both loyal to the Government, and necessary to the future advancement of the Southern States. During the delivery of his address the speaker was frequently applauded, and evidently in the right places. I send you a full report of the speech as delivered, as it will prove interesting at the present moment.

MR. BUTLER'S SPEECH.

SIR: For your words of kind welcome and appreciation I have a sense of profound obligation. You, my fellow-citizens, who have invited me to meet you, and for the courtesy of your invitation, I return my thanks. You have been pleased to say that in my capacity as a Representative in Congress I have aimed, so far as in me lay, in the conduct of public affairs, to see that the Republic should take no detriment. I accept your commendations of the endeavor, although the performance fell far short of my wishes. There is a tide in the affairs of parties as well as men, which ebbs so low that all seems gloom and pregnant of disaster. Experience teaches that in the conduct of political affairs in our country, every Administration seems to have reached its lowest ebb—its tide in the morning—almost at the beginning of the third year of its power. Its offices and rewards have been distributed, the effect of which, as a rule, in the language of a French King, is in each case to make forty enemies and one ingrate. Its measures, however well devised, have shocked the sensibilities and prejudices of many, impressed themselves upon the public mind. The good an Administration has done or proposes to do is not then appreciated; its errors are ever the subject of the most carping criticism. This usual, and to the far-sighted, not unexpected condition of affairs happened to the Republican Administration of Gen. GRANT, in the month of March, 1871. The Republican tide then seemed to be at low ebb. The distinguished financial measure of the Administration, paying more than one hundred millions yearly on the public debt, had roused antagonism because of the burdens of taxation; the measure of the annexation of San Domingo had been attacked by the most severest criticism of its motives and of the desirableness of the acquisition. The distinguished Commission sent out to examine into that question to satisfy the public thought, was then supposed to have perished, and that misfortune was proclaimed by the prejudiced and superstitious as a judgment of God upon the undertaking. Personal differences between the great Senator of Massachusetts and a member of the Cabinet, and even not to say with the President himself, arising from and exhibiting itself in a persistent, and, as we who know him believe, honest opposition to the policy of the acquisition of San Domingo, were all seized upon as presenting views upon the questions of the adjustment of the pending questions with Great Britain, had culminated in the necessity—the reasons for which were then unexplained to the public mind—which the majority of his fellow-Senators believed to exist for the removal of that Senator from the Chairmanship of the Committee on Foreign Relations, which he had so long held and honored. Questions of revenue and civil service reform were agitating the minds of many good men in the Republican Party, who seemed to have forgotten the lessons taught by the war, and who sought in these minor questions a basis of party action which heretofore has been found in caring for the safety of the country, and the necessity of the union of the whole people for the perpetuity of the Government.

THE SOUTHERN OUTRAGES.

More than either of these—perhaps more than all—there came up to us daily, as cry from the South, that by force and fraud, by the dagger of the midnight assassin, and by the combination of armed numbers, the States lately in rebellion were overrun, and the control of affairs was being usurped by those who had lately sought in arms the overthrow of the Government, and who held their lives only from the clemency and the mercy of the great captain who accorded them such favorable terms in the surrender at Appomattox. It appeared as if the whole work of the reconstruction of those States had been lost; that all measures for the pacification of the South were useless; that the loyal and true friends of the Union were to be driven out or killed, and that the richest and best portion of our land was to be given up to anarchy, disorder, bloodshed and murder. From all these causes may true men began almost to despair of the future Republican Party, and to fear that its disintegration appeared to have begun; at least fealty to its own Administration seemed faltering and utterly broken down. The election in New-Hampshire being lost to us, arising mainly from the internal dissensions in our party, influenced by the considerations to which I have adverted, was deemed by many to be cogent evidence that the Republican Party had arrived the day of its meridian and power. The ordinary result from such a state of political affairs of course followed. The timid and wavering were ready to desert what they believed to be a sinking ship. The ambitious and unprincipled were too eager to take advantage of this turn of affairs to further their own fortunes and advance their personal interests. To some of the latter it seemed that an early desertion of the Republican cause would be the surest attainment of political preferment. Others, otherwise good and true men, frightened at what seemed to be the approach of sure disaster, preferred to wait in inaction the event which they felt themselves powerless to control and trust to the accidents of the future for party success or political aggrandizement. To them, it seemed best, under the circumstances, to abandon the political field to our opponents, all striking, defiant and aggressive, without striking even one good blow for the preservation of that party whose measures had carried the country through a dreadful war, and whose wisdom saved its life. Therefore it was that such considerations as these caused so many Republicans to pass through Congress on the 4th day of March to adjourn that body on the ensuing Wednesday, without any attempt at legislation to empower the President to take measures to preserve the property, liberties, and lives of those who only had stood firm for the country during the late struggle in the South; thus to leave the Fourteenth Amendment inoperative for want of statutory provisions to enforce it, giving to each man "the equal protection of the laws." This vote of adjournment in the House of Representatives was passed, without discussion, by a solid phalanx of the Democracy, aided, at first it is true, by a majority of the Republican members of the House. The Senate declining to act upon it, three times in succession was the vote to adjourn, thus abandoning our friends at the South to their fate, pressed upon the House, and three times passed in the same manner, but each time more and more true Republicans rallying and standing together in opposition. It is easy for all now, looking back to the occurrence of that day, to see how disastrous, nay, how cowardly, unmanly, and unfaithful, and how deadly it would have been to the Republican Party if a Republican Congress had deserted its post at that hour, and, leaving the Presidency powerless to protect our Southern friends from the outrages, wrongs and murders which were being done upon them, thus giving the next Presidential election by default to the Democracy. It is far easier, however, to look back and say what was right and best to be done than to look forward and determine what ought to be done. It is far easier to judge of the past than to prognosticate the future. The past is always secure; the future ever doubtful. The policy of past events can always be known; the wisdom of future action is not readily foreseen. But there is one rule never failing; one guide always unerring, one course of action of undoubted expediency of policy never to be questioned. To do the thing that is right is always expedient, always politic; always statesmanlike. To do that, no sagacity need be exercised; no wisdom is needed, no learning is requisite to obtain it; statecraft even will not accomplish it. That which is instinct in the brute—teaching him to shun the poisonous plant and to choose the nutritious herb—is in the human mind inspiration, which lays hold of the right and eschews the wrong. It was wrong, unjust, and therefore unstatesmanlike to turn over to their enemies the true and loyal men of the South, however humble and lowly they were, who had stood by us as our only friends, to be reduced again to a condition worse than slavery—free men without volition, and citizens without the power of the ballot except as guided by the pistol and the dagger. So, believing this, seeing this, feeling this, if you please, instinctively—I determined for myself, cost what it might, opposed by whomsoever I might be, holding him as a friend only who stood for the right, and him as an enemy—whatever might be his pretensions—who would forsake the right and permit the wrong, I determined that, in so far as I could oppose, Congress should not adjourn until, by effective laws, the power of the Government was vindicated and the safety of the true men of the South was protected by the strong arm of the Executive acting through laws which should be sufficient to give him power to finish up the great work of reconstruction which the Republican Party had commenced and carried forward to a near completion. The fact that I acted upon this determination with firmness may be the reason that I am here upon your invitation. The true, earnest men of the Republican Party stood together, determined that Congress should not adjourn until all other things being laid aside, a law should be enacted to empower the Executive to protect the rights, property and lives of true men as against all combinations and conspiracies of disloyal men, North and South. We challenged the Democracy to the discussion of the questions involved in such statute; we gave the people the facts of the wrongs which demanded such legislation; we argued with them the constitutional power in Congress to make all its guarantees living principles of action in government; and to that day I have I venture to say that, as ever has been the case, truth, right, and justice triumphed. On those issues we drove the Democracy to the wall, putting them on the defensive so that they dared not use the power which they undoubtedly had of preventing all legislation by simple opposition. They show that they dare not appeal to the people on such an issue.

THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY RESPONSIBLE.

I may add here that we see that the President has shown by his message to accept the issue that we gave him that it was not his fault, but the inaction of Congress that has permitted the state of things at the South that has made all our hearts bleed. I have endeavored to declare in another place what was the cause there of anarchy and blood; that it was clearly traceable to the Democratic Party; that as the hopes of success of that party increased, so did murder and rapine increase, and as they were baffled in their expectation of return of power, so have good order and peace prevailed in the rebellious States. I then charged upon the Democracy that if their leaders would but give the order, Kukluxism would be known no more in the land. But a few days ago the Democratic members of Congress issued an address to the country in which they stated that Kuklux ism was injuring their party, by rousing the people to the sense of impending danger, and thus gave sure aid to Republicanism; and we see that immediately following this the Democratic (of the South) have in a considerable degree ceased. The Democracy are welcome to either horn of the dilemma; Kuklux outrages are ceasing, either because of the passage of the act giving the President power to suppress them, and thus demonstrating the necessity of that law; or because the admission of the Democratic leaders, thus showing, with the certainty of demonstration, that Kuklux ism is but a Democratic organization to carry elections by wrong and murder. This, then, is the first fruit of the late legislation by Congress, and of our remaining steadily at our posts to do what duty clearly demanded, even if the issue of the moment was hardly less important. It is now flood-tide with the Republican Party. Everywhere our prospects have brightened. The people are aroused to the fact that the issues raised by the war are not yet settled; that the embers of the rebellion have not been quenched; that its baleful fire is smouldering. Although the products of the South are now poured into the coffers of the Government, whenever they may do so unchecked; and that there is the same necessity now that all true good and loyal men should stand together for the preservation of the nation's life which made the country rise up as one man in 1861. The tide which bid Republicans together is tightened, not loosened. We have become again solidified as a party; dissensions have ceased. Minor questions have taken minor places; and the United Republican Party again marches onward, to do battle for right, justice and the country. The voice of Connecticut has obliterated all the despondency caused by the failure, in that State, and the future of the Republican Party and its administration was never than now more hopeful, more prosperous or more glorious. To you, my fellow-citizens, who have called me here, and those of your race, the few weeks past have been a most interesting epoch. Scarcely at any period before were your interests more supremely dear and your rights more at stake. A neglect to enforce the Fourteenth Amendment, which gives you equal protection of the laws, involves the failure of the rights and powers acquired by the Fifteenth Amendment, by which you can assert your manhood and citizenship. The ballot is no protection against the bullet, when he who holds the ballot is unarmed, homeless and landless. The vote is a great safeguard against encroachment upon rights among equals, but is no privilege to a dependent or serf. Within the past few weeks the great question has been settled whether, under the Constitution of the United States, we have the power in Congress to maintain by law the colored man, or indeed the white Republican of the South, in the use of the ballot to protect himself.

WHAT THE KUKLUX REALLY IS.

What did Kuklux organization mean? It meant simply that the rebellion, failing to wrest the power from the Government to erect an independent empire whose corner-stone was slavery, now by stealthy midnight assassination tries to attain that purpose which it lost on the open field of battle. It meant that the negro, having been emancipated and raised to the citizen, is to be hindered by force, fraud and murder from enjoying the rights guaranteed to him by the Constitution of his country. It meant that he should be reduced to a state of peonage worse than slavery, because, having the birthright of freedom, the ballot, he is to be coerced in its use according as his oppressors desire, even for their elevation to power. A few weeks ago the Democratic Press, both North and South, was discussing the rights, nay, the expediency, of declaring the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Articles of Amendment to be void and of none effect; and men were then discussing if ever the Democracy came into power every footstep of freedom should be retraced. Mr. BLAIR, the late candidate for Vice-President, had not retracted the doctrines of the Broadhead letter, declaring the Reconstruction acts of Congress void, and that the State Constitutions framed in accordance with them, giving equal suffrage, should be changed as the interests of the Democratic Party might dictate. Since the legislation against Kuklux ism by Congress how changed the tone of the Democratic Press, both North and South! It recognizes the power of the Government to protect the Northern settlers as well. It sees that the people will tolerate no change of the fundamental rights settled by the war; and although the Southern heart desires the abrogation of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments, as no one doubts, yet their newspapers are compelled to declare they are willing to let it be. Where is the American Democracy? enough to enable it to carry States sufficient in number to bring the Democratic Party into power, while the entire Democratic Press of the North is offering with one voice that, if the people will reinstate that party in power, the amendments shall not be disturbed. Let no man be deceived. If the Democratic Party shall come into power in 1872 by a majority strong enough to maintain itself, just so surely, by force, by fraud, or evasion, all benefits of those constitutional guarantees will be taken away from the colored man. Unjust and shocking to our sense of right as this action would be, yet it will not lack attempts at justification. We hear now even, coming from South Carolina, a demand that the majority of the people, if colored men, shall not rule in that State; that the very foundation-stone of Republicanism—that the majority shall govern—is to be overturned, and in South Carolina the minority must rule the majority. The fact is admitted that in that State there is a clear majority of colored men; but, say the minority, they ought not to govern the State. Why? Because they are ignorant; because they are not owners of the property. Of course no other charge is made against them. This, then, if I understand it, is what the Southern Democracy claims that republican government means, that the majority shall not rule unless that majority is composed of the educated classes. And that, too, comes from a party that seeks affiliation at the North with the uneducated Irishman and German and foreigner who lands upon our shores without knowledges of our institutions, and with scarce property enough to bring him across the water. Mark, it is not I who say that the ignorant Irishman or German ought not to vote; it is the Southern Democrat who says that the uneducated man ought not to have a voice in public affairs. It is not I who say that the poor Irishman or German shall not have his fair share in his government; it is the Southern Democrat, with his Northern ally, who declares that the poor man in the majority shall be governed by the rich man in the minority. On the contrary, I claim that all men are equally entitled to the ballot as an inborn right. I believe in the right of the majority to govern. I had rather cast my lot in a land governed by an uneducated majority than by an educated minority. I hold the aggregate intelligence of the mass in determining the necessities and the laws of the society under which they live is better to be trusted than the intellect, however refined and cultured, of the few, warped by their passions, prejudices, and lust of power. I had rather take my stand with the poor men governing a country, being the greater number, than be governed by the rich men, being the few, an oligarchy, whether of wealth, of birth, or of education, all experience has shown, is the worst government of all. Better, far better, the rule of one man than the rule of many men less than the major part of all. His vices and wrongs divided among the mass will be infinitesimal in their hurt. Their grasping desires and passions will multiply the oppressions of him in the ratio of their numbers.

THE COLORED MEN OF THE SOUTH.

See the arrogant ingratitude of these South Carolinians, whose reasoning I take as a specimen of the whole thought of the South. Who are the colored men of South Carolina? They are the majority of the laborers; they are the majority of the wealth-producers; they are the majority of the citizens possessing, under our Constitution and under every idea of republican government, the majority of rights; and why should they not govern? And what is that Democracy, therefore, that says that they shall not govern? Are they the evil-disposed? By no means. Witness their action even during the late civil war, when, being in the majority, and having full power, if they had chosen to use it, to have inflicted untold injuries upon their masters, they remained quietly about their labors, even taking care of the women and children of those who had oppressed and robbed them during their entire lives. Are they, indeed, ignorant? Sufficient to answer those who complain of their ignorance that if so, it is your own fault. Why didn't you educate them? If ignorant, what now is your complaint? That they cannot be trusted with legislative power, because they are so eager for learning that their first acts are to adopt so extensive and expensive a school system that the taxes upon property are too heavy; that their desire for knowledge is so great that they impose too heavy burdens upon the property of the State in order to get rid of that ignorance which was forced upon them without their consent, and of which you complain. You do not seem to accuse them of rejoicing in their ignorance. And if their ignorance is so detrimental to the State, the quicker it is rid of it the better, the higher the taxes for that purpose the better; and their laudable endeavor to fit themselves for their duties as citizens is the last thing with which the educated minority or the property-holder of the State should charge as a wrong done to yourselves. You aver that education makes the better citizen, and still you complain of the uneducated because they seek education by which to raise themselves to that higher plane where only it is asserted by the educated white man the governing power ought to reside. Unreasonably from the South declare that ignorance degrades the man, and then object to the means which the ignorant man takes to dispel his ignorance. It is barred on all hands that education is a safeguard against crime, a protection to society, an insurance upon property. Why, then, do we hear from South Carolina the burden of complaints against laws passed by a Legislature, a majority of whom are colored men, which taxes the property of the State for the purpose of educating the children of the State? But I deny the ignorance of the colored men of the South. They were not taught from books, but they learned, even as slaves—from a source I cannot stop to inquire—how to be loyal to their Government, their duties and obligations to the State, and that was more than their masters ever knew. In fealty to law, in his obligations to the Government of his country, his obedience to superiors and submission to rulers, the negro, as a class, has never faltered, never has made a mistake; and his conduct during the war has become the admiration of nations. How he acquired that knowledge would be a curious matter of research, for the principles which lie at the foundation of those duties of the citizen are the subject of the most subtle of disputations of Southern schools. The most argumentative of the epistles of Paul, Besides, to them as slaves the Government had been nothing but the guarantee of their oppression. They knew enough during the rebellion to treat with kindness, consideration, courtesy and humanity, the helpless ones committed to their charge. During that long war, when they were left almost alone in the State, we hear scarcely an instance of heinous crime, of rapine, of robbery, of murder, by the negro when a slave. How is it that elevating him into a free man has changed him into the demon and fiend, which his late master would fain have us believe the citizen negro has become, that he can only be controlled by disguised bands riding at night to whip and scourge his person, burn his dwelling and murder his little ones? He knows how to exercise the Christian virtues of charity, forbearance and forgiveness, although oppressed from generation to generation. Although the products of his labors have been used to pamper the wants of others; although he had every incentive to revenge himself on his late master when he became the power in the State, and had put into his hands the ballot by which laws are made, yet the worst complaints of the excesses of which he is, not that he has passed laws to pull his master down, or even to take from him that which the negro had a right to believe was the wrongly-acquired products of his own labor, but that he has simply imposed taxes to educate and elevate himself, and to enable him more intelligently to exercise the power which he wields less he should wrongfully use it.

THE WORK OF THE COLORED MAN.

Has any one heard of any colored man, or any number of colored men, now with the power in their hands, being the majority of the State, banding together to ride at night for the purpose of avenging themselves upon their late masters and late oppressors? Even the detractor of the negro has failed to point out such instance. Which knows most of the necessities of the South, the negro or the white man? The negro builds churches and school-houses; the white man burns them. The negro works industriously to produce something from the soil; the white man refuses to labor, and endeavors to create anarchy because he can no longer live in idleness upon the labor of others. The negro, after the day of toil, is well-taught enough to go to his peaceful home and quiet rest. He knows enough to respect every man's rights of person and property; and the white man rides at night masked, disguised and armed, to the terror of the people, and for the purpose of murdering the officers of the law, or of burning the cabins of the peaceful. Finally, the colored men every where know enough—and hence comes up the cry against them—all to vote the Republican ticket, and that steadily; and that is sufficient political knowledge, in my judgment, for anybody. I submit to the calm judgment of the country, upon a fair and not strained comparison of the two races, as they stand together today in South Carolina, which is the fitter to govern? In whose hands life, liberty and property, are, and will in the future be, more safe? In a community, under the governments of which class would any prudent, well-behaved, considerate man rather cast his lot? With which class is the deadly street-brawl, the drunken fight, the grocery riot, most prevalent? And when a man at the North claims that the negro is not fit to govern, I ask him, in all solemnity, if he were accused of a crime in South Carolina, and desired full and impartial justice as a Northern man, before whom would he rather be tried, as a jury of his countrymen, twelve negroes or twelve white men of equal education? We are told that the negro is not fit to govern himself because there is no negro orator, no negro poet, no negro statesman, no negro philosopher. Poets, philosophers, statesmen, are the growth of centuries of civilization and refinement; and the colored man has but today come forth from slavery, with all its ignorance and degradations, and has hardly yet enjoyed six years of freedom, and in no country has ever received the advantages of education. Let us not expect too much and too soon. Wait and see if the providence of the Almighty will not yet demonstrate the equality, at least in right, of his creatures. How many years ago was it since the English Press taunted us, notwithstanding all our boasted ancestry and culture, with, "Who reads an American book?" "Where is the American Newton?" "Where is the American Milton?" "Where is the American Shakespeare?" To this taunt then there was no answer by an agricultural people—an infant people. But a few years, less than half a century, have silenced that reproach, and we point to our authors, philosophers and poets, quite the equals of the Old World.

INFLUENCE OF THE NEGRO.

The question of oratory and statesmanship in the colored man let me illustrate with an instance of the present Congress. When the Kuklux bill was under discussion a colored colleague of mine representing the State of South Carolina made a speech in the House upon that bill, not only so well delivered, but so well considered and well argued, that the Democracy were glad to break the force of it by crying to your humble servant the high compliment of having written it. I wish it could have been true. I should have been proud of that speech. I only wish that the one I am now making to you were half as good. But it was all his own, as I have reason for knowing from hearing him in private conversation beforehand—enunciate quite a number of the thoughts which he therein elaborated for the public ear. And this colored orator—for his production was worthy of the name—was the product of the free schools of Boston, for he was brought up among you here, and is an example of what our system of education has done in the case of the colored men who have, under the glorious Constitution of our beloved Massachusetts, reaped the advantages of equality of right and equality of privilege now given to every American citizen by amendments of the Constitution of the United States which the Democracy seek to overthrow. So, too, the negro has falsified and set at naught another class of grave accusations against his race. When his freedom was proclaimed, it was asserted, nay, indeed believed, by his former master that he would not labor because of any of the inducements which impel the white man; that he would only work when driven to his task by the lash; that, as a race, he would have no desire for the acquisition of property; that he would not try to surround himself with the comforts of civilization; that he would lead an idle and vicious life in dreamy laziness, only broken by stealthy efforts to plunder a precarious subsistence from the means of others. Let the facts taught by experience answer the absurd falsity of all this. Instead of crowding into cities, where employment could not be found and his services were not needed, as a rule, when undisturbed, attached to his hearth-stone and roof-tree, however humble, he has preferred to remain upon the soil which gave him birth. He has become the willing, industrious laborer for wages. He has endeavored, by patient industry, to accumulate property. The agricultural products of the South, where he is almost the only laborer—and certainly the sole one, if the declaration of the former slave-master were correct, that the white man could not labor under a Southern sun—have increased in that section in an astonishing degree, notwithstanding the wrongs, oppressions and interruptions to which as a workingman he has there been subjected. In fact, so great has been that production that its very abundance is now cited by his oppressors as evidence that there can be nothing but peace and quiet where the returns of labor are so great. He rears churches, builds school-houses, and fills both, while his white neighbors avoid both save to burn them, kill the pastor and whip the teacher. The statistics of the commerce of the South abundantly show that he seeks to surround himself with all the conveniences of civilized life. His cabin receives from the manufacturers of the North many of the conveniences of home and in some degree its ornaments; and there is not a dealer in the Southern States who will not tell you that his most profitable as well as most extended sales are to the colored workingman. There is but a single commodity in which the retail trade at the South with the whites excels that of the negro, and that is in whisky. Intemperance was never one of his vices; even in a state of barbarism travelers tell us but very little of his use of strong drinks. So that drunkenness with him is not a hereditary vice. The experience of every officer of the army who served with colored troops will bear testimony to preference for negro sentinels over the commissary's whisky supplies. I hardly remember to have seen a drunken black man, but I have seen drunken colored men where the mixture of white blood was equal or predominated. How many tippling saloons are there in proportion to your population in our own city of Boston, gownsmen, kept, supported, and patronized by negroes? I do not know that this may be even claimed as a virtue, because I have sometimes doubted whether from temperament and habit of body the great temptation to strong drink existed with the black man. But the fact is patent to all. Certain it is that in the South, the expenditure by the colored man is greater for churches and school-houses than for intoxicating liquors. Can the white man there say as much? Nay, more, can we make the same declaration in Massachusetts, even with our Prohibitory law upon the statute book?

HIS TEMPERANCE, HABITS, AND BRAVERY.

Temperate industry has had its usual and necessary result. Out of from buying land in many parts of the Southern country, with necessaries to be provided for himself and family, having been literally thrown into the world naked and almost in a state of nature as regards property, without any wealth arising from the ownership of the soil, having everything of the means of living to provide, in less than South Carolina the burden of one investment alone, the colored man has deposited in the Government savings banks established by the Government in the slave States a sum equal to one dollar for every man, woman and child of his population. From the first chance in the detail, this sum seems small; in the aggregate it approaches a respectable one; and it quadruples all the like investments by the white men of the South. In Massachusetts, even, the working man has not done more in proportion to the number of years in which the accumulation of his savings has increased and multiplied by the interest upon the investment. The negro has proved himself a man who pursued him, the hardship, the starvation that encompassed him in the doubt and peril of his safety even when the destination of his flight was attained, giving instances of fortitude such as have ennobled many a hero of romance. In spite of all this it is claimed that the negro has no military qualities. He would enable him as a soldier to sustain the shock of battle. It has been said of him that as fighting qualities were hereditary, and as he had only been used to the arts of peace while held in slavery, therefore, it could not be expected of him that he would fight. Admitting this theory of his want of courage to be true, those who advanced it for this purpose selected a field of the most unimportant elements, that the negro came from a fighting race; that he or his ancestor was enslaved, because made captive in battle in his own country, and that, too, in a hand-to-hand fight; and his contests with the veteran troops of Prussia and Austria fully show that he had lost none of his hereditable blood or forgotten his fighting qualities. But you admit fully and freely that he is of a peaceable and quiet disposition; peaceable because placable; quiet because good-natured; adverse to fighting because naturally sympathetic and kind-hearted. But you rest your objection to his fighting qualities that I speak not untruly during the war, I organized and put in the field over 24,000 colored soldiers. I saw them storm, in solid column, the enemy's works, and a better and braver charge was never made. But it is said that the force of discipline, the excitement of the contest, the sound of the bugle, the voice of command, carried the colored soldier forward beyond the want of fighting. But I have seen them under fire day in and day out, calmly and steadily under fire, where the enemy were bursting shells in the trenches by tons of iron a day; and as the work went on I have heard the laugh and jest go round. And all this, too, done without murmur or complaint. When, in retaliation for the act of the rebel government in murdering some of my colored men captured by him under fire in the trenches around Richmond, I put a hundred of the Virginia Reserves in the same pit and under the same fire where the negro troops labored for months, they unanimously offered to take the oath of allegiance to the United States and desert the Confederacy rather than remain there for an hour. Therefore, let me say in all kindness of admonition to the Southern men who ride at night to murder the negro and burn his dwelling, that they had better not trespass too far upon the patient kindliness of his nature, or the desire of the negro for peace. I warn them that there will stand only bounds enough lurking, and that he bears with the evils and wrongs inflicted upon him by his midnight pursuers simply because he looks to the Government for protection and thinks it neither his duty nor his privilege under the laws to protect himself. But such a trust will not be the case if the Government fails in that duty, and he once takes up arms for his protection, his hunters will quail and flee before the determination of his defense and the courage of his battle; and there may, perhaps, be blotted out from among the men with more of the cruelty of a peaceful and kindly nature when it is too much aroused and bursts the bounds of patience under accumulated suffering and wrong. It is the duty of the statesman to ponder well these facts, to observe well a newly-enfranchised race, as is the negro—patient, industrious, peaceful, loyal and faithful, brave and determined when danger comes in the line of duty, thrifty, accumulative, greedy of knowledge, eager for advancement, temperate and religious, and say whether such a race is not fit for the responsibilities and rights of self-government.

WASHINGTON.

The Chinese Missionaries — Southern Claims—Base-Ball—Appointments.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—The Government has no advices from China other than the telegram from London, which was printed in the newspapers last month, relative to the Celestials refusing to protect Christian missionaries and teachers, and, therefore, in the absence of official information has taken no action whatever on the subject. The question may be presented as to the right of the United States to interfere in the matter, if the fact should appear that the Emperor's edict is merely to regulate affairs in his own dominions, irrespective of nationalities, without affecting the treaty stipulation.

THE NORTH GERMAN MINISTER.

Baron GEROLT has taken passage on the steamer of the 26th inst. He is in receipt of letters from all parts of the country from distinguished gentlemen expressive of their regret on his leaving the country, and of their hopes for a safe voyage and continued good health.

SOUTHERN CLAIMS.

Today the Southern Claims Commission had before them the cases of JACOB L. ATLEE, of Richmond, and GEORGE H. SOUTHALL, Postmaster of Nottaway Court-house, Va. Mr. ATTLEE, whose claim amounts to $14,000, was, during the war and previously, in the service of the Tredegar Iron-works, where most of the cannon and projectiles of the rebel army were fabricated. He was subjected to a very searching examination by the Commissioners, and found much difficulty in answering some of their interrogatories. Mr. SOUTHALL, whose claim foots up $8,570, was in the rebel service by conscription, but seemed, from the evidence brought out, to have done as little as he could for the Confederacy, and left its service as soon as possible. To-morrow (Tuesday) is assigned to the cases of Rev. HIRAM WALKER READ, of Fall's Church, a clerk in the Second Auditor's Office; Mrs. SUSAN T. CRUIT, of this city; CHARLES KIRBY, of Fairfax Court-house, and NATHAN WEBSTER, of Georgetown, formerly of Fall's Church.

CONSULAR RECOGNITION.

The President has recognized ALEXANDER BARRENGER ORR as Vice-Consul of her Britannic Majesty at and for the City of Buffalo, in the State of New-York, and for the Custom-house District thereof.

APPOINTMENTS.

The following Custom-house appointments have been confirmed by Secretary BOUTWELL:

Thomas W. Gibson, to be Assistant Appraiser; J. F. Hall and Chauncey D. Murray, to be Examiners; Lewis Frank, George A. Bennet, John Crusoe, to be openers and packers; and C. C. Caswell, to be clerk in the Naval Office.

THE "BLUE STOCKINGS."

The Olympic Base-ball Club, of this city, (Blue Stockings,) will leave here on Wednesday, on their first grand tour, and have arranged to play the following matches: May 12, Live Oak, of Cincinnati, in Cincinnati; 13th, Forest City, of Cleveland, in Cincinnati; 14th, Eckfords, of Fort Wayne, in Cincinnati; 16th, White Stockings, of Chicago, in Chicago; 17th, Forest City, of Rockford, in Rockford, Ill.; 18th, Ætnas, of Chicago, in Chicago; 20th, Forest City, of Cleveland, in Cleveland; 22d, Union, (Haymakers,) of Troy, in Troy; 23d, Harwards, of Boston, in Boston

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

The business of the week opened yesterday (May 8) with one sale at the Exchange, as follows: ROBERTS & MCGUIRE, by order of the Supreme Court in Partition, under the direction of GRACE HATHAN, Esq., referee, disposed of the premises No. 261 Canal-street, north-west corner of Laurens-street, or South Fifth-avenue, embracing a four-story brick building, and lot, the latter in size being 21.1 by 60 by 8.7 by 78.6, the rear of the lot being very narrow, owing to the widening of Laurens-street. The property was purchased by TERRENCE FARLEY for Judge KANE. Price paid, $31,400. With the exception of the following adjournments announced, no further business was transacted: Supreme Court sale of lot on the south side of Thirty-seventh-street, west of Tenth-avenue, adjourned by JAMES M. MILLER until Friday next, and Supreme Court sale of house and lot on the south-west corner of Greenwich-st. and Vesey-place, adjourned by Romeyn & McGrath until the 16th inst.

Today, at the Exchange, sales of City property will be made by E. H. LUDLOW & CO., MULLER, WILKINS & CO. and ROBERTS & MCGUIRE, respectively, while JOHNSON & MILLER will dispose of an extensive sale of suburban lots at Rockaway Park, N. J., and S. DINGEE & CO. will dispose of the desirable property known as the Hawthornes, near Rye Neck, in Westchester County. For particulars in regard to these sales, reference is made to our advertising columns, or to the weekly list of sales published yesterday.

Exchange Sales, Monday, May 8.

NEW-YORK.

By Roberts & McGuire.

4-story brick buildings and lot, No. 261 Canal-st., n. w. corner Laurens-st., or South 5th-av., lot 21.1x60.8.1x78.6 ..... $37,400

CITY REAL ESTATE.

CENTRAL PARK LOTS, ON 5TH AND 6th ave., opposite the Park; also, lots on the street adjacent to the Park; also, 5th-av., south of the Park; also, lots on 8th-av., north of the Park; also, lots on the Boulevard and Riverside Park. Among the above will be found several desirable corner lots. Plans, with diagram and particulars sent by MALLORY & BROWN, No. 70 Broadway.

FOR SALE—IN 3RD-ST., NEAR 8TH-AV., a handsome dwelling, 20 feet front, 3 stories and high stoop; plan, end-st. Might rent; now and well built; lot, 100 feet; prime reasonable. Also, a second lot of houses for sale.

V. K. STEVENSON & SON, No. 11 Pine-st.

FOR SALE, FURNISHED—IN 43D-ST., near 5th-av., a handsome dwelling, with all the modern improvements, in the City. The house and furniture nearly new, and in the most perfect order, and supplied with all the modern improvements. Apply to HUGH R. CAMP, No. 31 Pine-st., or E. H. LUDLOW & CO., No. 6 Pine-st.

SEVENTY-SECOND-STREET, EAST OF Avenue A.—For sale, a dwelling, 20 feet front, by 50 feet deep, with stable in rear. Also, a lot, 25 feet front, adjoining corner. FRANK G. & DAVISON BROWN, No. 189 Broadway.

FIFTH-AVENUE—FACING THE PARK, below 59th-st.—For sale, a choice plot of four lots, including corner. FRANK G. & DAVISON BROWN, No. 189 Broadway.

COUNTRY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE—A VALUABLE CASCADE property, in close proximity to the Newport Mines, near Charlestown, in West Virginia. It contains 1,500 acres of land, with a water power. The whole property; surface heavily wooded, the timber opened, and all the necessary machinery on the premises for immediate operation. It is within both sizes of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, and the Kanawha Navigation for occasional shipments, reached by land 7 miles to the State. The coal is of superior quality, yielding a high heat, as shown by the Steamers that other parties have tried. Good frame buildings on the premises for hands, &c. Will be sold low for cash, or exchanged for city or country property. APPLY TO J. G. SALVA, No. 35 Broadway, Room No. 2, or to American Gas-light Journal, No. 61 Pine-st. Room 16.

A CHARMING PLACE FOR SALE OR TO RENT—Furnished, in the beautiful Sneden River Valley, ten minutes' drive from Hoboken Station, 1 hour from the City. Residence of the late Judge Charles W. Newton will sell or rent his country place as above, of about thirty acres. House is a cottage of seven rooms, replete with modern conveniences; good stable, grounds well stocked, stables new and supplied with valuable breed of horses, poultry stocked, goes with the property; also, two commercial cottages for the help; place is in perfect order, and will be sold or rented low. Apply to GEORGE L. NICHOLS, Executor, No. 27 Cliff-st., New-York, or refer to C. J. VICTOR, No. 28 Wilkes-st., or H. DEE, No. 32 John-st.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY—HOUSES for sale and to rent. Places of from one acre to seven acres for sale, ranging from $4,000 to $20,000, with dwellings of 6 to 20 rooms. Also, a few first-class Railway, and which has unbroken walk of stations.

Also,

Houses furnished and unfurnished, rents ranging from $600 to $5,000. Apply to HUGH R. CAMP, No. 31 Pine-st.

ELIZABETH, N. J.—FOR SALE—$100, part cash, balance can remain on bond and mortgage, or will trade for Seattle property; must well located. Two-story and basement cottage, 10 feet deep, between 12 by 16 Kitchen with well and cistern water, three large bedrooms and hall between on first; guest room and cellar; right entrance walk from front gate to house. Inquire of or apply J. M. MERRIL, No. 252 Broad-st., Elizabeth, N. J., or 96 Cedar HOME, Post No. 101 Tower Office.

A LOT OF TWENTY-SEVEN ACRES, at Whitestown Point, near Flushing, one mile from railroad depot, and near other good locating; splendid view of the water; good soil for farm or market garden; magnificent and very extended view of the water and the East River; can be subdivided to great advantage; terms of payment easy. Full particulars with JOHN C. PARSONS, No. 34 Pine-st. Or will be found for inspecting purposes.

FOR SALE—A VERY DESIRABLE HOUSE and lot, in a thriving town on the border of a fine bay, within 2 miles of the City; in perfect order and beautifully and neatly new. Lot 50x100 feet, with a variety of fruit and flowers; location splendid, with beautiful view of the bay. For full particulars call or address the owner, GEORGE MACKEY, No. 32 John-st.

FOR SALE—A FINE COUNTRY RESIdence at Mamaroneck, one hour from City, ten minutes from depot, on New-York and New-Haven Railroad; fine two-story house, contains fourteen rooms, high cellar, good stable, fruit and shade trees, &c., &c.; six acres of land handsomely laid out; barn, stable, &c., all in good order. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 1 Pine-st.

AN ELEGANT COUNTRY SEAT IN the Dutchess County, New-York; superb in all its appointments; one of the most improved City property. For full description inquire of BLACKWELL & MARKS, Nos. 36 and 37 Liberty-st.

ORANGE, N. J.—COUNTRY HOUSES and village lots for sale; a great variety, beautifully situated; 1 hour from New-York. Also, furnished and unfurnished houses to let for the season or year, by BLACKWELL & SMITH, 260 Broadway, 9 to 11; or Orange, corner Main and Cone-sts.

LONG BRANCH—SOLE REAL ESTATE Agents in New York. FRANK G. & DAVISON BROWN, No. 189 Broadway.

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CHESTER HILLS, MOUNT VERNON—Some choice plots for sale, handsomely situated, within five minutes of depot. Also two fine cottages, nine rooms; price $7,000 each, on easy terms. Apply to HUGH R. CAMP, No. 31 Pine-st.

FOR SALE—A SUMMER RESIDENCE and parallel cottage, in the beautiful village of Sharon, Conn. Four acres of land with out-buildings, &c., and a good supply of fruit. Apply as above, to R. D. GARDNER.

ORANGE, N. J.—A SPECIALTY; RE-duced prices since May 1; sale $6,000 and upward; rents, furnished and unfurnished, for the season or year. HAMILTON & WALLIS, 9 Nassau-st., corner of Pine.

A—DESIRABLE RESIDENCES AND country seats for sale at Peekskill, Tarrytown, Dobbs Ferry, Hastings, Yonkers, Fleetwood, Fordham, White Plains, Rye, New-Rochelle, and Tremont. V. K. STEVENSON & SON, No. 11 Pine-st.

DWELLINGS TO LET.

TO LET—TWO COTTAGES, BEAUTIFULLY situated on the banks of the Passaic River, containing eight rooms each; 20 minutes' walk from the depot and thirty minutes from New-York by the Erie Railroad. Fishing, boating and beautiful drives. Will let low to a good tenant. Apply to E. W. WONDERSMITH, M. D., Passaic Bridge Depot, N. J.

LAKE GEORGE—TO RENT, FOR THE Summer season, a small cottage, fully furnished, situated on the main road between the Fort William Henry Hotel and the Lake House, close to the lake. FRANK G. & DAVISON BROWN, No. 189 Broadway.

MORRISANIA—TO LET OR FOR SALE cheap—A very desirable house in best Morrisania; roomy, convenient, within a few minutes of depot; will be rented for the year at $600, or for the Summer only at $400. Apply to HUGH R. CAMP, No. 31 Pine-st.

TO RENT—FOR THE SUMMER OR FOR one year, the country-seat of John Kane, at Hoboken, N. J.; house large and fully furnished; stable and coachman's cottage; grounds, &c., in perfect order. Apply to MOSE & NICHOLAS, No. 45 Exchange-place, New-York.

TO LET—AT SOUTHAM HEIGHTS ABOUT 30 minutes from the City, a cottage containing seven rooms and large carriage-house. The buildings have just been put in complete order and painted throughout; rent low. Apply to A. C. KINGSLAND & SONS, No. 56 Broad-st.

TO LET OR LEASE—AT TO-RDAM, N. Y., the fine dwelling, late of Stanley Kortright, twelve rooms, with thirteen acres of land; stables and garden; much fine fruit. Apply to HAZARD, APTHORP & CO., No. 110 Broadway.

TO RENT—AT NEW-ROCHELLE, N. Y., the Cottage, ten minutes' walk from depot, a two-story and basement cottage-house, with gas, water, &c. Rent $60 per annum. Apply to Mrs. J. G. HORTON, adjoining premises.

FAR ROCKAWAY—TO RENT, A FURnished cottage, situated on the main road, opposite to Rockwell Hall, and adjoining property of A. T. Mastin, a farm of land; possession given at once. FRANK G. & DAVISON BROWN, No. 189 Broadway.

EAST CHESTER—TO LET OR LEASE, near two railroad depots, a house with large grounds and two cottages and out buildings. Apply to PETER A. R. JACKSON, No. 103 Fulton-st.

ON SHREWSBURY RIVER, RED Bank, N. J.—Furnished house of ten rooms to rent for the summer; price low; good bathing and boating. Address E. A. DWIGHT, 2d Bank, N. J.

DWELLINGS TO LET.

LAKE MAHOPAC—TO LET.

the splendid residence known as the Saperios Mansion. The house has about fifteen rooms; a magnificent view of the lake, five acres of land, boat-house, carriage, &c. For terms apply to the LAKE MAHOPAC IMPROVEMENT COMPANY, No. 8 Dey-st., Room No. 2, New-York.

FURNISHED BRICK HOUSE, FORTY feet square, to let from June 1 to October, for $800, with 10 modern improvements; stable, new milk cow and man to take care of her; situated on the highest and healthiest part of the island; ten minutes' drive from Central Park. Address E. Box No. 1,068 Post-office.

A HOUSE COMPLETELY FURNISHED to let, for the Spring season; price $600. Address J. V. WHEALAND, Montgomery, Orange County, N. Y.

TO LET—AT MONTCLAIR, N. J., FOR SEAson or year, a handsomely-furnished cottage-house; also rooms, pleasantly situated. Apply to GEO. M. GERARDAN, No. 119 Wall-st.

SUMMIT, N. J.—TO RENT—A COTTAGE of seven rooms; pleasantly situated; eight minutes from depot. ARCHIBALD GRACIE, No. 59 Liberty-st.

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TO LET—ONE OF THE BEST STABLES IN the City at No. 217 West 36th-st., containing eight stalls, with dark basement; over stable. The street to be paved with wood.

STABLE TO HOUSE No. 20 stalls.

ALSO, THE VERY handsome five-story HOUSE, No. 18 East 36th-st., between 5th and Madison ave. Inquire of JOHN F. FINNEY, No. 9 Wall-st., third story, front office.

TO RENT CHEAP—WITH OR WITHOUT steam power, three basement floors Nos. 127 Hamilton-st., near Fulton ferry; 2 offices on entrance, or to suit tenant. Apply to E. T. & A. T. METEL, No. 21 Wall-st.

REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

THE MOST REAL ESTATE EVER OFFERED FOR AS

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Real Estate Auctioneers, No. 6 Pine-st., New-York.

Tuesday, May 16, 1871,

At 12 o'clock noon, on the premises,

ABSOLUTE PUBLIC SALE OF

200 BUILDING PLOTS

ON THE HEIGHTS AT

RUTHERFURD PARK,

FORTY MINUTES FROM BROADWAY.

Between the Broad Gauge Double Track Railroads, the Erie Railroad and the Delaware and Lackawanna Railroad.

EASY WALKING DISTANCE FROM THREE STATIONS.

PLANK WALKS THROUGH EVERY STREET.

Special train from foot of Chambers-st. and 23d-st., Erie Railway, at 11½ A. M. Luncheon on arrival at train.

Carriages and free passes at the auctioneer's, and at the ferry on the day of sale.

Splendid music by Gentille's full Band.

J. JOHNSON, Jr., Auctioneer.

BY JOHNSON & MILLER,

TUESDAY, MAY 9,

At 12 o'clock noon, on the premises,

RUTHERFURD PARK, N. J.,

by order of one of the original stockholders.

Positive sale, without any limit or reservation.

195 OF THE CHOICEST LOTS IN THE PARK.

Location unequaled. Surroundings excellent. Every lot has a fine view. Grand Depot, Hotel and restaurant in course of erection. Near two railroad depots.

Terms liberal. Collation before sale. Free excursion passes for 11 o'clock train. May 8, over Erie Railway, to Rutherford Park, with music and full particulars will be furnished by

JOHNSON & MILLER,

No. 25 Nassau-st., New-York.

At Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, New-York, THURSDAY, May 11, at 12 o'clock.

POSITIVE AND ABSOLUTE SALE.

By order of Thomas D. Hudson and Samuel C. Hudson, Executors of the estate of Mrs. Mary Johns, deceased, of

57 CHOICE NINTH WARD (Brooklyn) LOTS, nicely situated on high ground, on Douglass-st. Boulevard, Lincoln Place, Saltonstall and Howard-sts. Sale positive, as the estate must be closed. Terms easy. Maps and particulars at auctioneers' offices.

No. 25 Nassau-st., New-York.

No. 99 Montague-st., Brooklyn.

Also, at same time and place, positive sale by order of trustee in bankruptcy of three valuable East New-York lots, situated on the north-east and north-west corners of

ATLANTIC-AV. AND HIGH-AV.

Maps and particulars at offices of auctioneers.

No. 25 Nassau-st., New-York.

No. 99 Montague-st., Brooklyn.

MORRIS WHARTON, Auctioneer.

VALUABLE PROPERTY ON 10TH-AV. AND 43D-ST.

E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, May 9, 1871, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, New-York:

TENTH-AVENUE—The very desirable three-story brick dwelling, No. 610, with lot 20 feet front, and 100 feet deep, on the west side of 10th-av., together with three full lots, 25x100 feet. Also, each one house and stable, 20x100 feet.

TENTH-AVENUE, SOUTH-EAST CORNER OF FORTY-FIRST-STREET—Three lots, 75x100 feet. Title—43d-st. is paved, sewered, curbed, &c., &c. Eighty-fourth-st. is curbed, guttered, &c. Croton and gas pipes laid, &c. Two-thirds of the purchase-money may remain on bond and mortgage.

Maps and full particulars at the auctioneer's office, No. 9 Pine-st., New-York.

BLACK HAWK GOLD MINING COMPANY OF NEW-YORK.

AUCTION SALE BY TRUSTEES.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, BENJAMIN WHITE and BERIAH WALL, of the City of Providence, in the State of Rhode Island, under and in execution of the powers in us vested by the deed of trust executed to us by said Black Hawk Gold Mining Company, bearing date the twenty-eighth day of May, A. D., 1864, and duly recorded, will sell at PUBLIC AUCTION at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, New-York, on the eleventh day of June, A. D., 1871, at 12 o'clock noon, all the estate, lands, quartz lode mining claims, mills, minerals, mining rights and fixtures, lands and premises, shafts, levels, mills and mill-sites, stores, storehouses, dwelling-houses and buildings and structures, water, water-powers, runs and falls of water, watercourses and water-rights and privileges, wastes, roads, ways, timber, harvested crops, and all other estate and property, real, personal or mixed, of said Black Hawk Gold Mining Company, situate in the County of Gilpin, in the Territory of Colorado, and conveyed to us in and by the said deed of trust aforesaid, and all the interest and title of said Company therein.

Reference is hereby made, as a part of this notice, to said deed of trust, which may be had of us at the office of said Company, No. 11 Wall-st., New-York City.

Terms of sale will be made known at the time and place of sale.

BENJAMIN WHITE, } Trustees.

BERIAH WALL, }

S. DINGEE, Auctioneer.

REMEMBER THE SALE OF

"THE HAWTHORNES,"

On the grounds, at

RYE NECK,

THIS DAY,

TWENTY-EIGHT

ELEGANT WATER-FRONT LOTS.

FREE TRAINS

Leave the depot of the New-York and New-Haven Railroad, corner 27th-st. and 4th-av., at 9 A. M. and 11½ A. M.

COLLATION ON THE GROUNDS.

S. DINGEE & CO., Auctioneers.

A. J. BLEECKER, Auctioneer.

ELEGANT COUNTRY-SEAT AT NEW-BRIGHTON, STATEN ISLAND.

A. J. BLEECKER & CO. will sell at auction on TUESDAY, May 16, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, the elegant country-seat and grounds now occupied by Charles A. Oakley, Esq., situated on Richmond Terrace, New-Brighton; seven and five-thirds acres of land laid out in lawns, garden, &c.; splendid house, sixty; all modern conveniences; fronts on the Kills; stable and all out-buildings complete; land superb, with 1,164 feet of two roads; surroundings excellent; could be laid out in building plots without interfering with the house. Maps at No. 71 Cedar-st.

WILLIAM ABBOTT, Auctioneer.

EXECUTORS' SALE OF THE VALUABLE PROPERTY

of the late Jacob Lorillard, at auction at the Exchange Sales-rooms, Trinity Building, No. 111 Broadway, on TUESDAY, May 16, 1871, at 12 o'clock M., situated on the westerly side of 11th-av., 25 feet 1 inches northerly from the north-west corner of 11th-av. and 41st-st., being 25 feet 1 inches in width and 100 feet deep on each side.

JOHN HOFGOOD,

Executor of the last will and testament of

Ellis Barlow, deceased.

THOS. H. HURLEY, Attorney for Executor, No. 6 City Hall-place.

J. COLE, Auctioneer.

FIFTY-THREE VACANT LOTS—BY order of the executors of John F. Berger, deceased, situated on 41st and 42d ave., and on 54th and 55th sts., Brooklyn, to be sold on THURSDAY, May 11, 1871, at 12 M., at the Commercial Exchange, 67 Fulton-st., opposite the City Hall, Brooklyn.

Also, by order of the executors of Jonathan Saul, deceased, two houses and seventeen lots on 46th and 47th sts., near 3d-av., Brooklyn.

Full particulars at the office of the auctioneer, No. 289 Fulton-st., Brooklyn.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE CHURCH PROPERTY ON WEST 23D-ST.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. B. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, May 9, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway,

THE WEST TWENTY-SECOND-STREET—The plot of land, together with the present church building thereon, situate on the northerly side of West 23d-st., commencing 100 feet east of 9th-av.

FOR SALE AT AUCTION—A VALUAble sing sing property on Orchard-st., consisting of a three-story frame dwelling house of eighteen rooms, suitable for schools, boarding or large families; attention for views of river and health unsurpassed. Will be sold at auction on WEDNESDAY, 10th inst., at 2 o'clock P. M., without reserve. Particulars of A. B. MILLS, No. 121 Nassau-st., Room No. 4.

REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

S. DINGEE, Auctioneer.

EXECUTOR'S SALE—AT AUCTION.

THURSDAY, MAY 18, 1871, AT 12 M.

ON THE GROUNDS,

NINETY ACRES OF CHOICE LAND.

The estate of the late Judge A. W. BRADFORD,

IN RYE, WESTCHESTER COUNTY,

At the Harrison Station of the New-York and New-Haven Railroad; one hour from the City; thirty minutes from Harlem. Without reserve. This well-known estate is divided by broad avenues into

PLOTS OF TWO TO SEVEN ACRES,

And, together with the

SPACIOUS MANSION,

Of thirty elegant rooms, with the extensive barns, carriage-houses, gardens, conservatory and $ 25-100 acres of masterfully-adorned grounds, will be sold

WITHOUT RESERVE.

TERMS—Forty per cent. cash, sixty per cent. mortgage five years.

Take train 9 and 11 A. M. Harlem, New-York and New-Haven Railroad Depots, corner 27th-st. and 4th-av.

Persons in attendance at the house daily to show the premises.

For maps and circulars apply to E. S. JAQUES, 56 Broadway, Room 3 Chambers-st., or 16 Nassau-st.

S. DINGEE & CO., Auctioneers, No. 23 Cedar-st.

BANKRUPT NOTICES.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON the 7th day of April, A. D. 1871, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of RUFUS WATERHOUSE, of the City of New-York, in the County of New-York, and State of New-York, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt to prove their debts, and to choose one or more Assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 66 Wall-street, in the City of New-York, before John Fitch, Register, on the 9th day of June, A. D. 1871, at 10 o'clock A. M.

GEORGE H. SHARPE,

U. S. Marshal, as Messenger, Southern District of New-York.

DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of ORLANDO W. JOSLYN and JOHN Y. BOSTWICK, bankrupts.—In Bankruptcy.—A warrant in bankruptcy has been issued by said Court against the estate of Orlando W. Joslyn and John Y. Bostwick, of the City, County and State of New-York, in said district, adjudged bankrupts upon the petition of their creditors and the payment of any debts and the delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupts to them or for their use and the transfer of any property by them are forbidden by law. A meeting of the creditors of said bankrupts, to prove their debts and choose one or more Assignees of their estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy to be holden at No. 165 Broadway, in the City of New-York, in said district, on the 26th day of May, A. D. 1871, at 12 o'clock M., at the office of Henry Wilson, Esq., Register in Bankruptcy of said District.

GEORGE H. SHARPE,

Marshal.—Messenger.

IN BANKRUPTCY.—IN THE DISTRICT Court of the United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of LOUIS A. GOLDING and ROBERT DUNLAP, bankrupts.—Petition filed the 3d day of April, 1871. On reading and filing the petition of Louis A. Golding and Robert Dunlap, in said district, duly declared bankrupts under the act of Congress of March 2, 1867, for a discharge from all debts and claims provable under said act, and that the 17th day of May, 1871, at 3 o'clock P. M., at the office of James F. Dwight, Register in Bankruptcy, No. 9 Beekman-st., in the City of New-York, be appointed a time for hearing of the same, and where all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest may attend, and show cause if any they have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted.—Dated New-York, on the 31st day of April, 1871.

GEO. P. BETTS, Clerk.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of THEODORE MARSCHALL and GEORGE MITTAUER, bankrupts.—Before Mr. Register Dwight.—To the creditors of Theodore Marschall and George Mittauer, of the City of New-York, in the County of New-York, and State of New-York, within said district, who have been adjudged bankrupts upon their own petition.—Notice is hereby given of the second meeting of said bankrupts, to prove their debts, and to choose one or more Assignees of their estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 66 Wall-street, in the City of New-York, before John Fitch, Register, on the 9th day of June, A. D. 1871, at 10 o'clock A. M.

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GEORGE H. SHARPE,

U. S. Marshal, as Messenger, Southern District of New-York.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of ALBERT HERZIG and JOSEPH BROCK, composing the firm of ALBERT HERZIG & CO., against whom a petition for adjudication of bankruptcy has been filed in said District Court.—Before Alexander Lehman, on behalf of Samuel Amb & Co., creditors.—In pursuance of an order made in this proceeding on the 8th day of May, 1871, the subscriber will sell at public auction, on the 15th day of May, A. D. 1871, at 12 o'clock M., by Burdett & Dennis, auctioneers, at the brewery of said Albert Herzig & Co., situate at Nos. 418, 420 and 424 East 56th-st., between the 1st and 2d avenues, all the property of said Albert Herzig & Co., in said brewery.—Dated May 8, 1871.

GEO. H. SHARPE, U. S. Marshal.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of HERMAN HARRIS and others, bankrupts.—In pursuance of an order made in this proceeding on the 8th day of May, 1871, the subscriber will, on the 9th day of May, 1871, at 12 M., at the auction rooms of Burdett & Dennis, No. 116 Pearl-st., sell the personal property of the bankrupts above named, consisting of a stock of dry goods, clothing, cloth in the piece, cloth caps, &c., the same being more or less damaged.—Dated April 28, 1871.

GEO. H. SHARPE, United States Marshal.

PROPOSALS.

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UNITED STATES ENGINEER OFFICE, MOBILE HARBOR IMPROVEMENT, MOBILE, Alabama, May 1, 1871.

Sealed proposals will be received at this office until 12 M. MONDAY, June 12, 1871, for dredging Choctaw Pass and Dog River Bar Channel, Mobile Bay; each to a depth of 15 feet at low water. The average quantity of excavation in Choctaw Pass will be 2 feet for a length of 4,200 feet, requiring the removal of 14,000 cubic yards, more or less, of material, principally marl, the rest sand; and in Dog River Channel, which is 1,000 feet wide, will be about 6 feet, requiring the removal of 48,000 cubic yards, more or less, of material, principally mud. The average distance at which the material will have to be transported and deposited is 2 miles.

Bidders will propose for the work per cubic yard for material removed and deposited, measured by soundings in the cuts, and they will also state the additional price per cubic yard for each additional mile of material beyond the average of three miles. They will also state what they will engage to commence the work, after the award of contract, and the time they will require to complete their contract.

Payments will be made monthly, twenty per cent. being reserved until the work is satisfactorily completed, and rejected in any case of failure from any cause to complete the contract in accordance with all the conditions of his contract. In addition, bonds to the extent of $10,000 will be required to insure faithful commencement and performance of contract.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids deemed by the undersigned for any cause deemed by him to be sufficient.

Full information will be given at this office, where blank proposals can be obtained, or from which, on requisition, they will be mailed to the address of any one desiring to bid.

The envelopes inclosing bids should be indorsed "Proposals for Dredging Choctaw Pass and Dog River Bar Channels," and addressed to the undersigned in duplicate.

A. M. DAMRELL,

Captain of Engineers U. S. A.

IRON FOR LANDING PIER NEAR LEWES, DELAWARE.

U. S. ENGINEER OFFICE, No. 1,230 CHESTNUT-ST., PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 6, 1871.

Sealed proposals, in duplicate, will be received, on a form furnished by the undersigned, with a copy of this advertisement attached to each, will be received at this office until 12 o'clock M. of Monday, the 12th day of June, 1871, for the supply of Wrought and Cast Iron required for this work. The iron must be delivered on the Railroad Pier at Lewes, or at the works where made. The bids will state carefully the proposed places of delivery, with the corresponding prices.

There will be required for the pier about one million eight hundred thousand pounds of rolled and hammered iron, and about three hundred and fifty thousand pounds of cast-iron. The present letting will be for about 900,000 pounds of wrought iron, and about 140,000 pounds of cast iron.

Specifications and drawings can be seen at this office, where information will be supplied on application. Envelopes to be indorsed "Proposals for Iron."

C. E. KURTZ,

Lieutenant-Colonel of Engineers.

LITTLE SODUS HARBOR, N. Y.

UNITED STATES ENGINEER OFFICE, OSWEGO, N. Y., May 2, 1871.

Sealed proposals will be received at this office until 12 M., SATURDAY, June 3, 1871, for dredging and pier work in the Harbor of Little Sodus, N. Y., as follows:

Work.—Dredging from the channel, (70,000) twenty thousand cubic yards, more or less, of sand and gravel at as much per cubic yard, dredged and deposited. Proposals to be indorsed "Little Sodus Dredging."

For furnishing labor and materials for repairing (250) two hundred and fifty feet, more or less, of pier and building (250) two hundred and fifty feet, more or less, of new breakwater. Proposals to be indorsed "Little Sodus Pier."

Plans and specifications can be seen, and full information will be given, at this office.

Forms, contracts and bonds as usual.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids deemed disadvantageous.

JOHN M. WILSON,

Major of Engineers, U. S. A.

OFFICE A. C. S., FORT WOOD, NEW-YORK HARBOR, May 1, 1871.

SEALED PROPOSALS, IN DUPLICATE, will be received at this office until 12 M., June 6, 1871, for furnishing the Trade Roof required by the Subsistence Department, United States Army, at this station, during six months, commencing July 1, 1871. Information as to condition, quality, of Roof, payment, &c., can be obtained by application to

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CITY OF PARIS, Saturday, May 20, 1 P. M.
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And each succeeding SATURDAY and alternate TUESDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.
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WM. A. HAYES, Secretary.
BOSTON, Mass., May 4, 1871.

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CARL VON HEINRICH VON MAGNUS, Berlin.
JULIUS MAY, Frankfort-on-the-Main.
ADOLPH VOM RATH, Cologne.
CHARLES FERDINAND RODEWALD, London.
FREDERICK RODEWALD, London.
THOMAS SELLAR, London.
RUDOLPH STERNBACH, Frankfort-on-the-Main.
L. JOSEPH SEYFFERTH, Frankfort-on-the-Main.
Managing Director—OTTO NESTLE.
Assistant Manager—LEOPOLD BONN.
Auditor—GEORGE TEODOR STERNBERG.
Bankers—The London Joint Stock Bank, London.
The capital of the German Bank of London Limited is £2,000,000, divided into 200,000 shares of £10 each, of which 80,000 shares, representing a capital of £800,000, have been issued, subscribed for and allotted, and are intended to be fully paid up within six months.
The Bank is established in London, and has no branches on the Continent or abroad. It is now prepared to receive deposits, to discount approved securities, and generally to attend to transactions appertaining to foreign banking business.
Bartholomew House, Bartholomew-lane, London, E. C., April 1, 1871.

OFFICE OF THE DELAWARE AND HUDSON CANAL CO.,
No. 21 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, April 1, 1871.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of Delaware and Hudson Canal Company, for the election of managers, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before them, will be held at the office of the Company, in the City of New-York, on TUESDAY, May 2, 1871, at 12 o'clock M. The polls will be open from 12 o'clock M. to 2 P. M.
The transfer-books will be closed from the 1st to the 9th day of May, inclusive.
By order of the Board of Managers.
CHARLES F. HARTT, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF CHICAGO AND NORTH-WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY,
No. 52 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, April 29, 1871.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stock and bond holders of the Chicago and North-western Railway Company, for the election of Directors pursuant to law, and the transaction of such other business as may be brought before them, will be held at the office of the Company, in the City of Chicago, on THURSDAY, the 1st day of June next, at 1 o'clock P. M.
The transfer-books will be closed on the 29th day of April inst., at the close of business on that day, and reopened on Saturday, the 3d day of June next, at 10 A. M.
JOHN F. TRACY, President.
A. L. PRITCHARD, Secretary.

HARLEM EXTENSION RAILROAD COMPANY.—Notice to Stockholders.—The annual election, for thirteen Directors of this Company, for the ensuing year, will be held at the office of the Company, corner of 26th-st. and 4th-av., in the City of New-York, on TUESDAY, the 13th day of June next. The polls will be opened from 12 o'clock noon until 3 P. M. of that day.
The transfer-books will be closed from 3 o'clock P. M. of the 9th day of May next until 9 o'clock A. M. of the 14th day of June next.
R. C. ROOT, Secretary.

NEW-YORK BOARD OF FIRE UNDERWRITERS,
NEW-YORK, May 2, 1871.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR officers and standing committees of the New-York Board of Fire Underwriters will be held at the Board rooms, Nos. 156 and 158 Broadway, on MONDAY, the 15th day of May, 1871, between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock. WM. W. HENSHAW, Secretary.

LOST—CERTIFICATES—NO. 641, FOR ONE hundred shares, and Nos. 642 and 643, for fifty shares each, of the Calumet Mining Company stock, standing in the name of J. W. Davis, Cashier. The same were mailed at this City on the 12th of April last, addressed to such Company, at Boston, Mass.
POUGHKEEPSIE, May 3, 1871.

STOLEN—ON SATURDAY EVENING FROM No. 327 Fredrick-st., Brooklyn, a $4 20 $1,000 United States Government bond, No. 160,521. All persons are forbidden buying or negotiating it, as the Treasury Department has been informed of the theft.
L. M. C.

FINANCIAL.

VERMILYE & CO.
BANKERS,
16 and 18 Nassau-st., New-York.
DEALERS IN ALL ISSUES OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.
BUY AND SELL ON COMMISSION
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INTEREST ON DEPOSITS.

LHERBETTE KANE & CO.,
AMERICAN BANKERS
and
FORWARDING AGENTS,
No. 29 Rue du 4 Septembre,
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Issue Letters of Credit and receive Deposits. Letters for Travelers received and forwarded. Correspondents in New-York:
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COLLECTIONS made in all parts of the United States and Canada, with prompt returns.
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PRIME INVESTMENTS for TRUST and other funds always on hand.
WESTERN BONDS,
largely dealt in.

RAILROAD TAX.
The Houston and Texas Central Railway Company will receive to bondholders' five-sixths (5-6) of the income tax deducted from January coupons, upon application at the National City Bank.
W. M. RICE, Financial Agent.
NEW-YORK, May 8, 1871.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE MECHANICS' NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, at the close of business on the 26th day of April, 1871:
RESOURCES.
Loans and discounts.....$4,196,227 87
Overdrafts.....2,713 05
United States bonds to secure circulation.....627,000 00
United States bonds on hand.....50,000 00
Other stocks, bonds and mortgages.....22,650 00
Due from other national banks.....178,158 16
Due from State banks and bankers.....113,176 12
Banking-house.....175,000 00
Current expenses.....12,239 23
Checks and other cash items.....70,784 45
Exchanges for Clearing-house.....4,726,761 18
Bills of other national banks.....23,501 00
Fractional currency, (including nickels).....4,384 41
Specie—viz.: Coin.....294,219 00
Gold treasury notes.....120,200 00
Checks on other banks payable in gold.....181,003 85— 307,321 85
Legal-tender notes.....1,348,239 00
Clearing-house Certificates.....205,000 00
Total.....$14,652,205 54
LIABILITIES.
Capital stock paid in.....$3,000,000 00
Surplus fund.....400,000 00
Discount.....$40,672 09
Interest.....41,022 22
Profit and loss.....622,510 37— 698,204 18
Circulating notes outstanding.....681,604 00
State bank circulation outstanding.....2,700 00
Dividends unpaid.....2,746 00
Individual deposits.....4,781,104 62
Certified checks.....$449,039 57
Due to national banks.....617,149 24
Due to other banks and bankers.....27,999 76
Total.....$14,652,205 54
I, WILLIAM H. COX, Cashier of the Mechanics' National Bank of the City of New-York, do solemnly affirm that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
WILLIAM H. COX, Cashier.
State of New-York, County of New-York } Affirmed to and subscribed before me this 8th day of May, 1871.
W. T. FARNHAM, Notary Public.
Correct. Attest:
HENRY F. SPAULDING, }
S. KNAPP, } Directors.
J. BULLARD, Jr., }

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' NATIONAL BANK, in the City of New-York, at the close of business on the 26th day of April, 1871:
RESOURCES.
Loans and discounts.....$1,464,681 21
Overdrafts.....3,233 71
United States bonds to secure circulation.....220,000 00
United States bonds and securities on hand.....72,100 00
Other stocks, bonds and mortgages.....12,000 00
Due from redeeming and reserve agents.....23,698 33
Banking-house.....50,000 00
Taxes paid.....2,666 31
Expenses.....3,000 00
Cash items, (including stamps.).....9,043 14
Clearing-house exchanges.....109,599 23
Bills of other banks.....37,100 00
Bills of State banks.....121 00
Fractional currency, (including nickels).....9,595 02
Specie, viz.: Coin.....$8,661 05
Gold Treasury notes.....2,700 00— 11,361 05
Legal-tender notes.....222,000 00
Clearing-house certificates.....75,000 00
Total.....$2,572,877 06
LIABILITIES.
Capital stock paid in.....$600,000 00
Surplus fund.....200,000 00
Discount.....2,010 00
Interest.....2,000 77
Profit and loss.....66,409 94
National bank circulation outstanding.....220,000 00
State bank circulation outstanding.....18,160 00
Dividends unpaid.....30,163 50
Individual depositors.....1,254,253 27
Gold depositors.....1,000 00
Certified checks.....28,278 00
Due to national banks.....16,359 27
Due to other banks and bankers.....57,700 23
Total.....$2,572,877 06
State of New-York, County of New-York: I, GEORGE W. YOULE, Cashier of the Mechanics' and Traders' National Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
GEORGE W. YOULE, Cashier.
Sworn and subscribed before me this 8th day of May, 1871.
FERNANDO BAIRD, Notary Public.
Attest:
E. D. BROWN, }
H. E. BROWN, } Directors.
ROBERT M. FIELD, }

CLIENTS OF THE HOUSE OF BOWLES BROTHERS & CO. and the public generally, are informed that during the present interrupted postal communications with Paris and until further notice, we shall dispatch daily special couriers to and from our Paris house. Open letters of credit, passports or personal nature will be received by us, and delivered in Paris, circumstances permitting, at a charge of 75c. each.
The dispatch bags will leave our Clearing Cross office, London, at 7½ P. M., and return, leaving our Paris office in the Rue de la Paix at 6 P. M.
CHARLES LITTLER,
Clerk of the Postal Department.

NEW-YORK HOSPITAL.—NOTICE.—An election for twenty-six Governors of the Society of the New-York Hospital will be held at the office of the Hospital, No. 15 West 11th-st., near Broadway, THURSDAY, the 18th of May, 1871.
Polls opens at 12 o'clock M.
D. COLDEN MURRAY, Secretary.

TENNESSEE PAST DUE BONDS and Coupons, Tennessee Registered and Coupon Five per Cents Bonds, Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad and Nashville City Bonds and Consols bought at office of HENRY TALMADGE, No. 39 Pine-st.

ILLINOIS REGISTERED AND OTHER 6 per cent. bonds, payable in this City, for sale below par.
FITCH & ELLIS, No. 11 Pine-st.

ATLANTIC MUTUAL INSURANCE Scrip of all issues wanted by WM. C. GILMAN, No. 46 Pine-st., corner William-st.

SAVINGS BANKS.

National Savings Bank.
THE FREEDMAN'S SAVINGS AND TRUST COMPANY, (Chartered by the Government of the United States.)
No. 166 BLEECKER-ST., NEW-YORK.
A SPECIALTY made of allowing interest from date of each deposit on sums of $50 and upward.
All deposits payable ON DEMAND, with interest due.
Call or send for circular.
Open daily from 9 A. M. to 5 P. M., and MONDAYS and SATURDAYS from 9 A. M. to 9 P. M.
JOHN J. ZUILLE, Cashier.

UNION DIME SAVINGS BANK,
Nos. 396 and 398 CANAL-ST., corner of Laight.
SIX PER CENT. interest on $5 to $2,000.
ASSETS.....$3,813,287 65

DIVIDENDS.

OFFICE OF THE FARMERS' LOAN AND TRUST COMPANY, No. 35 EXCHANGE-PLACE, CORNER OF WILLIAM-ST., NEW-YORK, April 28, 1871.
DIVIDEND.—THE CLEVELAND AND Pittsburg Railroad Company have declared a dividend of TWO AND ONE-HALF PER CENT., payable at this office on the 15th of May prox., free of Government tax.
The transfer-books will close on Monday, the 1st of May, and reopen the 16th of May.
GEO. P. FITCH,
Secretary of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, Transfer Agents.

NATIONAL BANK OF THE STATE OF NEW-YORK, May 1, 1871.
DIVIDEND.—A DIVIDEND OF FOUR (4) per Cent., free of all taxes, has been declared, payable on and after 10th inst. Transfer-books closed until that date.
CHARLES B. VAN WYCK, Cashier.

THE NASSAU BANK, NEW-YORK, May 2, 1871.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF this bank have this day declared a Dividend of Four (4) per Cent., free from all taxes, payable on the 10th inst. Transfer-books will be closed until that date.
W. H. ROGERS, Cashier.

MARBLE MANTELS.

A. KLABER, STEAM MARBLE AND Marbleizing Works, 134 and 136 E. 15th-st., offers 500 marble and marbleized mantels, all complete. Monuments, table-tops, &c., at prices that defy competition.
S. KLABER & CO., MARBLE WORKS, NO. 22 WEST 31ST-ST., BETWEEN BROADWAY AND 5TH-AV.—Marble and marbleized mantels, monuments; largest selection; cheapest in City.
500 VERY FINE SLATE MANTELS as reduced prices for the next thirty days.
T. B. STEWART & CO.,
No. 205 4th-av., between 18th and 19th sts.

HORSES AND CARRIAGES.

TO GENTLEMEN HAVING HORSES TO DISPOSE OF.—We offer our services to gentlemen wishing to dispose of their horses carriages and harness. We do not trade in horses for our own account, and only sell on commission. We refer to W. Colgate, Esq., President Union Bank, Jersey City, and to Messrs. Ketchum, Son & Co., Broadway. Drove Yard Stables, Hoboken, cor. Grand-st. Drove Yard Stables, Hoboken, cor. Grand-st., New-York. Office, No. 1 Exchange-place, Jersey City, N. J.
J. V. THURSTON & CO.,
No. 121 West Washington Market.

HARNESS, HARNESS, HARNESS for farming, trucking, teaming, expressing, carting. Every stable, too companies, coach, hearse, business and pleasure use, from $15 up; cart harness, the largest variety of any house in New-York. Use extensively Hunt's patent saddle, used without any extra cost or bleeding; the best in use.
P. S. OSBORNE & CO., No. 6 Murray-st., Between Church-st. and College-place.

FORT ONTARIO, OSWEGO, N. Y., May 4, 1871.
FOUR HORSES WILL BE SOLD AT public auction at the engineer stables, Fort Ontario, at 11 A. M., TUESDAY, June 6, 1871.
JOHN N. WILSON,
Major of Engineers, U. S. A.

GEORGE J. MOORE, NO. 23 BOWERY, manufactures every kind of carriage, wagon and buggy, under his own supervision; he can insure the work, warrant and warrant. Repairing promptly attended to. Prices low.

EDWARD MURPHY, CARRIAGE Painter, No. 239 Fourth-av. All work made under personal inspection. Every facility for repairing obsolete ins to do jobbing at reasonable rates. New and second-hand carriages constantly on hand.

WILLIAM H. ROSE, NO. 51 EAST 19TH-st., carriage builder.—Having every convenience for jobbing, repairing done in the best and quickest manner.

BOARDING AND LODGING.

FOURTEENTH-ST.—NO. 261 WEST.—A large, pleasant room, with ample closets, hot and cold water, and board for two persons, at $8 per week; other rooms, with or without board, at lower prices.

HANDSOMELY AND NEWLY-FURNISHED rooms, with board, second floor, back, and floor; private table preserved; by season or year, at moderate terms. Apply at No. 46 East 15th-st. References exchanged.

BOARDERS WANTED—NO. 208 WEST 23d-st., between 7th and 8th ave.; two single gentlemen, or gentleman and wife, will find location, comfort, furniture, table and price of board all that can be desired; references exchanged.

ONE OR TWO GENTLEMEN CAN BE accommodated with a splendid furnished room by a private family, in a good neighborhood. Apply at No. 329 West 35th-st., between 8th and 9th ave.

NO. 258 WEST 19TH-ST.—HANDSOMELY furnished suite of rooms with parlor to a party of gentlemen or family; best references given and required; house and table first class.

TWO WELL-FURNISHED ROOMS, with first-class board, suitable for gentlemen, or a married couple at No. 94 Greenwich-av., corner 12th-st.; references exchanged.

EIGHTY-FIFTH-ST. AND 4TH-AV.—A large front room and bedroom adjoining to let to a gentleman and wife, partially furnished, if required. Apply at No. 109 86th-st. near 4th-av.

AT NO. 1 WEST 25TH-ST.—TO RENT.—Handsomely-furnished rooms; house and location desirable; opposite Hoffman and overlooking Madison-square.

AT MRS. WYCKOFF'S.—NO. 261 4TH-AV., a house adjoining Calvary Church, one suite of rooms; also, two single rooms to let with board for the gentleman or gentlemen of the better class.

A LARGE, WELL-FURNISHED ROOM FOR a single gentleman; house and location very desirable; rent $2 50 per week. No. 216 East 16th-st.

FURNISHED ROOMS TO LET TO young men with a private family, without board. 10 Varick-place, between Houston and Bleecker-sts.

LARGE, WELL-FURNISHED ROOM for gentleman and wife, with superior board, No. 40 West 24th-st., near Broadway. References required.

FIFTH-AV., NO. 251, CORNER 29TH-ST., two desirable rooms, with board, suitable for a single gentleman or gentleman and their wives.

COUNTRY BOARD.

COUNTRY BOARD—ON THE BANKS of the Housatonic River, two and three-quarter hours from the City by the Harlem River and New-Haven Railroad; the house is commodious, and beautifully located on high ground, commanding a splendid view of the river and surrounding scenery; fine drives, facilities for safe sailing, boating, bathing, &c.; good stabling if required; references exchanged. Address W. C. D., Post-office Box 1,483, New-York.

COUNTRY BOARD—TWO OR THREE families can be accommodated at a beautiful private residence, large rooms, well furnished; large lawn, well shaded; terms moderate; residence one hour from the City; boat or cars. Address Mc., 130 Madison-av.

BOARD AT WEST POINT.—THE Bogue first-class private boarding-house of A. MEARNS, JR., will be open from May 1, as usual, with modern improvements, Highland Falls, Orange County, N. Y.

BOARD AT CORNWALL, N. Y.—HOUSE now open. JAMES G. ROE.

SUMMER RESORTS.

OCEAN HOUSE, NEWPORT, R. I., Will open for the reception of guests JUNE 27. Important improvements are being made for the comfort of its patrons. Applicants for rooms will please address JOS. B. WEAVER, Proprietor.
Everett House, New-York City.

COZZENS' WEST POINT HOTEL
IS NOW OPEN
For terms address
SYLVANUS T. COZZENS,
West Point, N. Y.

PARRY HOUSE,
HIGHLAND FALLS,
(Near West Point.)
This new and elegant establishment, on the banks of the Hudson River, will be opened early in June. Liberal terms for families. Address
CHARLES W. HENDRIX, Highland Falls, N.Y.

WOODSBURG PAVILION & WOODS-burg Beckaway, Long Island, via south-side Railroad. This new, beautiful hotel, replete with every convenience, is located only six minutes ride from the ocean, and is opened for the season. From it one looks the ocean, has fine drives and bathing, and will be kept first class. For cards and terms apply to F. P. SEWELL, Madison-square House, 51st-st. and Broadway.

WEST POINT HOTEL—SITUATED ON the Parade-ground. The hotel is now open. Persons desiring to engage rooms will please address
THEODORE COZZENS,
Proprietor.

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LABOR REFORM.

Fourth Day's Session of the Labor Reform Convention.

Large Attendance—A Permanent Organization Effected—Spicy Speeches and Some Personalities.

At the fourth session of the Labor Reform Convention, at the Cooper Institute, yesterday, the attendance was exceedingly slim. A constitution was adopted, in which the object of "the Labor Reform League" was declared to be "the abolition of class laws and false customs, whereby legitimate enterprise is defrauded by speculative monopoly, and the reconstruction of Government on a basis of justice and reciprocity." All persons, irrespective of sex, race, condition or nationality, who subscribe to its principles, and contribute to its funds at least $1 annually —the membership fee to working women, in consideration of their disproportionally low wages, being fifty cents—are to be regarded as members and entitled to a voice and vote in its meetings; and that no one may be compromised by any vote of the majority, the annuality is to be recorded whenever requested. Since this association is strictly voluntary, no tax assessed or to be assessed, and members are free to withdraw at pleasure. Its public conventions are to "encourage freedom of criticism, and respect diversities of opinion, as tending to the discovery and establishment of truth."

The following officers were unanimously elected for the current year:

President—Wm. B. GREENE, of Massachusetts.

Vice-Presidents—Albert Brisbane, New-York; Mrs. E. C. Stanton, New-Jersey; Parker Pillsbury, New-Hampshire; Horace H. Day, New-York; Warren Wheeler, Missouri; Mrs. Dr. Emma R. Still, Massachusetts; Charles Moran, New-York; John Grable, Kansas; C. Young, Maine; John Orvis, Massachusetts; E. B. Fish, Pennsylvania; A. B. Brown, New-Hampshire; Susan B. Anthony, New-York; George Prundle, Iowa; Mrs. L. M. Tilton, Massachusetts; K. Graves, Indiana; John Bishop, Connecticut.

Secretaries—J. K. Ingalls, New-York; Wm. Hanson, Elmira, N. Y.

Corresponding Secretary—E. H. Heywood, Princeton, Mass.

Treasurer—L. K. Joslin, Providence, R. I.

Auditor—Herbert Daniels, Boston.

Executive Committee—E. M. Dow, Green, J. K. Ingalls, Mrs. R. R. Still, John Orvis, E. H. Heywood, Mrs. E. L. Daniels and L. K. Joslin.

Mr. JOHN ROOSEVELT then delivered an elaborate address upon "The Principles of Government," as applied to the interests of the working men, and the injustice and wrongs of which they suffer under the rule of monopolists. The origin of all evil, he said, is want. In the original chaos was the want of organization, law and light. The same want exists now. The foundation of all science is experience. Experience is the best teacher. Science consists in diligence, observation and toil. The right of man depends upon his will to do rights and not intelligently. Higher law is the law of necessity. The rule of faith is consistency. The science of government is the principle and force of motive powers. The great defect of society is that it always has been no means of trying those who govern. Law should authorize any twenty-four men to impeach and bring to trial any or all civil and military officers who are derelict in duty. But now there is no such provision. Working men cannot try the monopolists for their injustice. Legislatures are bribed. It is always open to "Why, like all republics are broken up. He had been in the Legislature, and "knew how it was himself." Our present Government is a failure. We must commence it anew. We must have a co-operative, not a common stock, system—one that harmonizes with the remotest interests of the people. We want disciplined action, like the unity of action.

Mr. E. E. FITZ argued that all who disliked the evils of the present political system should never cast a vote for either of the political parties until those abuses are corrected. What is all this talk about Christianity? It is not a religion; it is only a principle. There was no such thing as Christianity until three hundred years after the death of Christ. What are these monopolists? Why, I tell you that, wherever you find a man who has made an excess of money, it has been by conspiracy or fraud against others. Wherever you find a man who has more than enough money to carry himself or his family through the world, he is a thief; I say a *thief!* God makes all His arrangements by mathematical calculations. I would do anything to right this labor question—anything, even if I had to run a wheelbarrow from Forty-fifth-street to the Battery. [The audience at this point became clamorous for another speaker.]

Mr. D. R. SWACKHAMMER spoke at length upon the political aspect of the labor question.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At the opening of the afternoon session Prof. WILCOX, of Washington, spoke. He dissented from the opinions previously uttered from the platform. He believed in other methods to accomplish the same end.

Mr. JOHN STONEBRIDGE, formerly of Manchester, England, and now of this City, a practical machinist, came to the rostrum and made an exceedingly terse and logical speech. He attacked the "mal-administration of government in this country." The odious income tax, avaricious monopolies, oppressive banking laws, he said, are ruining the land. We are close to a monarchy, and upon this so-called enterprising and free country that can hardly float a ship in foreign trade, and that tamely submits to such abominable dictation of demagogues.

Dr. SHEPARD followed with a severe review of our political degeneracy, and what he termed the monarchical tendencies of the party in power.

Mr. BANKS, President of the United States Painters' Union, indulged in a personal attack upon Mr. MORAN and Professor WILCOX, intimating that they had been paid by politicians to attend labor meetings. The last-named gentleman retorted in an animated but polite manner, denying that he or Mr. MORAN had ever received a cent, but saying they had expended much money in the last twenty years for the working men's welfare.

Mr. DRURY made a very angry speech, loudly eulogizing Prof. WILCOX, who was now present, as a liar. The chair called him to order and he apologized.

After remarks from Messrs. Orvis, Heywood, Wolf, Browning, Ingalls and Serrell, Mrs. Hallock, Mrs. Blake and Miss Lane, a recess was taken until evening.

EVENING SESSION.

At the evening session Mrs. VICTORIA C. WOODHULL read a lengthy manuscript. Her theme was "The relations of capital to labor." The production abounded with copious extracts, from Government reports, library quotations and statistics. She said: There are three questions of vital importance to the human family. These are equal political rights, social order, and moral responsibility. If the first is guaranteed, the others follow. There have been a long series of injustices perpetrated on this people. Capital has been so greedy as to seek to swallow up the rights of labor entirely. The speaker here labored through a long and obstruse argument to establish her propositions. Facts and figures were multitudinously arrayed in support of this effort. Just consider, she continued, that one-fortieth of the people usurp the natural rights of the thirty-nine, and own the soil of this country. Government, the world over, throws its protection over property. Why should it not also protect the rights of labor? American soil is common property, but speculators have stolen it away. It is a wonder that they have not found a way to bottle the atmosphere and sell it. What use has the Government made of it? They have given away over 400,000,000 acres of this domain—which land exceeds in area any ten of the States. This is enough to give 2,500,000 people 160 acres each. The value of this is more than enough to pay the national debt. The steamings of the railroads or the profits of the national banks would pay the same debt. No Government has a right to grant special privileges. How can we curb the insatiable avarice of these obese corporations? The railroad rate from New-York to Chicago is $20. It costs $5. The big profit is for the monopolists. The freight charges on grain are ten per cent. over what is right. A direct Government tax of ten per cent. would cause a revolt. The bank and railroad combinations tend to a despotism more intolerable than any in the old world. A protective tariff is a high fallacy. Let there be no more talk about the Government income tax. It is only odious to the rich. Let there be resolutions against its repeal. [Applause.]

Mr. ORRIS then offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the hue and cry which the leaders of public opinion have instituted about the unpopularity of the income tax means just its unpopularity with the small and best-to-do class of the community, the class which spends and means nothing more; that the income tax is the most just and appropriate of all our taxes, and it rightly reflected on would be the most popular with the masses; and that the laboring men be earnestly recommended to circulate such petitions by the hundred against the repeal of that particular tax.

Miss KATIE STANTON, of Lynn, Mass., read an appropriate essay. Mr. WM. HARRISON gave some gratuitous and critical instruction to the reporters about their professional duties. Mr. OWEN complimented them upon their creditable reports of the Convention.

Mrs. E. L. DANIELS and Mr. DRURY made some remarks, and the Convention then adjourned *sine die*.

Delsarte's "Dramatic Expression"—Lecture by James S. Mackaye.

Mr. JAMES STEELE MACKAYE delivered a second lecture, last evening, at Steinway Hall, before a large audience, on "Delsarte's Science and Art of Dramatic Expression." He gave an elaborate description of DELSARTE'S system, which, he said, was no mystery at all, but a system which aimed at something higher and more important than the mere presentation to the public of an actor's individuality. The system sought to make the actor also an artist, to enable him to vacate his own personality, that he might the more faithfully assume the personalities of his varying rôles. We needed in the United States a school where the laws of dramatic representation might be taught, that grace, truth and purity might become the most prominent characteristics of the American stage. The lecturer illustrated the cries of grief, nine kinds of laughter, the element of attitude in gesture, the element of form in gesture, the attitude and inflections of the head, the elements of expression in the face, the attitudes, inflections and affirmation of hand, and the attitudes, inflections and oppositions of arm with head. The speaker also gave exercises in pantheic gymnastics, exercise of the arms, ham, and chromatic expression of the face in its various moods. He next alluded to the prejudice which exists against the stage. A premium which was most unjust, for there was no other profession from which so much was expected which had not its proper school of preparation. He called on the pulpit to cease its vituperation of the stage, and begin to encourage every effort to render it as much a source of wholesome enlightenment as of exciting mirth and pleasure.

ANNIVERSARIES.

Thirty-fifth Anniversary of the Union Theological Seminary.

The Union Theological Seminary celebrated its thirty-fifth anniversary last evening at the Madison-square Presbyterian Church, Prof. SCHAFF presiding. Five of the graduating class made brief addresses in the following order: THOMAS S. HAMLIN, of Ypsilanti, Mich., on "Culture is of its True Idea;" J. HENRY HOUSE, of Painesville, Ohio, on "The Inspiration of a Controlling Faith;" GEORGE S. PAYSON, of New-York City, on "The Patience of the Ancient of Days;" GEORGE N. SNYDER, of Elmsford, N. Y., on "Does a Minister Work?" JOHN H. WORCESTER, of Burlington, Vt., on "Scientific Fatalism."

The diplomas to the graduating class were distributed by Rev. Mr. PAYSON, after which Prof. SCHAFF delivered the annual address. He spoke at some length, and in conclusion referred to the death of Dr. SPRINGER, one of the college Professors, who died during the term. He delivered a glowing eulogium on the attainments of Christian life of the deceased, and said that he hoped the graduating class of 1871 would prove themselves worthy of such a master, whose praise was in all the Churches. The following constitute the graduating class of 1871:

GEORGE S. PAYSON, New-York City; WALTER H. AYRES, Canterbury, Ct.; HENRY C. BRADBURY, Sandefield, Mass.; J. De Hart Brees, Irvington, N. Y.; WILLIAM B. CARY, Brooklyn, N. Y.; THEODORE P. CHAMBERS, New-York City; EDWARD P. CLARK, Erie, Penn.; WM. J. CUMMING, New-York City; SILAS A. DAVENPORT, Elizabeth, N. J.; JOHN OGDEN GORDON, Pittsburg, Penn.; SAMUEL S. HALL, Ashfield, Mass.; THOMAS S. HAMLIN, New-York City; TENNIS S. HAMLIN, Ypsilanti, Mich.; OSCAR J. HARDIN, Newton, N. J.; AARON S. HARTMAN, Gettysburg, Penn.; WM. J. HOAR, Philadelphia, Penn.; J. HENRY HOUSE, Painesville, Ohio; FRANK A. JOHNSON, Lodi, N. J.; EDWIN E. LEWIS, Amherst, Mass.; PATRICK D. MAHONEY, New-York City; MATTHEW C. MANN, Newark, N. J.; CHARLES NOBLE, Washington, D. C.; J. NEWTON OTIS, Milo, Mich.; WILLARD PARSONS, Franklin, N. Y.; GEORGE S. PAYSON, New-York City; LEWIS A. PLATTS, New-Market, N. J.; GEORGE N. SNYDER, Elmsford, N. Y.; WILLIAM R. SNYDER, New-York City; JOHN STOCKWELL, Ohio; CHRISTIAN W. WINNE, Hammondsport, N. Y.; FRANK A. WOOD, West Farms, N. Y.; JOHN H. WORCESTER, Jr., Burlington, Vt.

Annual Meeting of the American Seaman's Friend Society.

The forty-third anniversary of the establishment of the American Seamen's Society was held last evening at Association Hall, corner of Fourth-avenue and Twenty-third-street, Mr. WM. A. BOOTH, President. The annual report was read, from which it appears that this Society during the past year supplied from its treasury forty-five chaplains and missionaries. It has extended its operations through South America and most of the European countries, and has twenty-one chaplains in the principal cities of the Union. It has sent 726 libraries to see on vessels carrying 17,861 men, making the total number of libraries sent since the work was inaugurated thirteen years ago 3,713, containing at least 180,000 volumes, and accessible in their frequent reshipments to 167,261 men. In 1870 twenty-four libraries were shipped on naval vessels carrying 3,573 men, making the total number of libraries shipped in the navy 787, accessible at different times to 83,73 men. The Sailors' Home in Cherry-street, during the past year, had 1,963 boarders, an increase of 397 over the previous year. These have deposited with the Superintendent for safe-keeping $43,411, of which $24,146 were sent to relatives, and $6,210 placed in savings banks.

The Saturday evening prayer-meeting is well attended, and all are supplied with religious accommodations. During the existence of the Home, it has saved to the seamen and their families $1,500,000. The Colored Seamen's Home, in Thompson-street, has recently been fitted up at an expense of $1,700, and contained 800 inmates during the past year, an increase of fifty over the previous year. The total expense for the year ending May 1, was $23,830 26; the receipts $20,269 28. The present indebtedness is $6,470 38.

Rev. EDWARD HOPPER, D. D., pastor of the Church of the Sea and Land, delivered an interesting address in the interest of the seamen. He maintained that the profession of the sailor developed the natural qualities of man, and the experience of every-day life convinced them that it was sought after by the brave and generous spirited. He denied the existence of special demoralization among the seamen as a class, and said that much, if not all, of the evil ascribated to them was the result of the evil influences by which they were surrounded by bad men on shore. He exhorted his hearers to a generous co-operation in the effort for the benefit of the sailor, and the result would be satisfactory to themselves and Christianity generally.

Addresses were also delivered by Rev. J. A. FRENCH, Morristown, N. J.; Rev. H. M. GALLAHER, Brooklyn, and Rev. N. H. SCHENCK, Brooklyn. The following Trustees were elected for the ensuing year: Capt. N. Briggs, Rev. Levi T. Wood; Rev. E. E. Beardsell, D. D.; George D. Baizer, James R. Elwell; Rev. E. H. Hall, D. D.; L. P. Hubbard, and Moses S. Beach.

The Particular Synod of New-Brunswick.

The Particular Synod of New-Brunswick, of the Dutch Reformed Church, commenced its annual session yesterday afternoon, in the Wayne-street Church, Jersey City. The following officers were elected: President—Dr. GODWIN; Adcessor—Dr. STEELE; Clerks—Rev. Messrs. SWAYNE and TALLMADGE. The minutes of the last Synod were read. The Clerk then read the bequest of CHARLES B. VAN BENSCHOTEN, who, in 1814, gave to the Particular Synod of New-Brunswick $13,840, the interest of which is given to some worthy student, to aid in preparation for the ministry of the Dutch Reformed Church. A communication was received from the South Classis of Bergen asking that the Classis, which is a large one, be divided. The new Classis will be known as that of Newark, and will comprise the Counties of Essex, of Newark, Belleville, Bloomfield and Linden.

Last evening Rev. Dr. BEILLY, of Freehold, delivered the annual sermon on Synodical Discourse in the Wayne-street Reformed Church to an interested audience.

Coming Anniversaries.

The tenth anniversary of the Howard Mission occurs at the Academy of Music this evening. There will be music by Grafulla's band, singing by the children, and addresses by Messrs. A. S. Hatch, Wm. Phelps, Revs. H. M. Gallaher, Theo. L. Cuyler and W. C. Van Meter.

The forty-sixth annual meeting of the American Tract Society will be held at Association Hall to-morrow evening. Rev. Dr. STEPHEN H. TYNG, D. D., will preside and address the audience. Addresses will also be made by Rev. G. W. HEACOCK, D. D., Buffalo, N. Y.; Rev. MERRILL RICHARDSON, and Hon. WM. E. DODGE, of this City.

The Fourteenth Amendment Woman Suffragists' meetings are to be at Apollo Hall, Thursday and Friday. The Central Committee head-quarters are at the Coleman House. JULIA WARD HOWE, LUCY STONE, MARY A. LIVERMORE, GRACE GREENWOOD, and other eminent speakers will address the Woman Suffrage Convention at Steinway Hall on Wednesday at 10½ A. M. The meeting will hold three sessions—morning, afternoon and evening.

The friends of peace will celebrate the fifth anniversary of the Universal Peace Society, at Room No. 54 Cooper Institute, this evening. The following speakers have been invited to speak: Julia Ward Howe, Elihu Burrit, Lucretia Mott, Mrs. Lillie Devereux Blake, Hon. George W. Julian, Mrs. Charlotte D. Wilbour, and others.

The New-Jersey Railroad Lease—Meeting of the Directors of the United Companies.

The lease of the United Railroads of New-Jersey to the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, which has for months past been the subject uttermost in the minds of railroad men, capitalists and politicians of New-Jersey, was submitted to the United Board of Directors at Trenton yesterday. The Committee to whom the matter had been confided had a meeting on Saturday last in Philadelphia in conjunction with a similar committee from the Pennsylvania company, and after eleven hours debate all the provisions of the lease were finally agreed upon. Their work was approved by the Directors of the New-Jersey Companies yesterday, only a few verbal alterations being made—and the meeting adjourned to give the committee time to make the required alterations. The Directors will then have another meeting, after which the lease will be submitted directly to the stockholders.

Before the meeting adjourned, yesterday, an offer was received from another powerful company, which it is not necessary to name, submitting proposals equally favorable to those made by the Pennsylvania, and offering, in addition, a bonus of nearly $1,000,000. This offer will, of course, affect materially the negotiations now going on, but although the security offered is of a first-class description, the matter will now rest with the stockholders. If the lease to the Pennsylvania Company is rejected by them, the second offer may receive consideration. The amount of property to be transferred is of a value of $70,000,000, embracing railroad lines and canals that cover seventeen out of the twenty-one counties of the State.

Trial of John H. Divine for the Murder of Garrett W. Nostrand.

Yesterday morning, the adjourned session of the Court of Oyer and Terminer for Queens County, Judge GILBERT presiding, convened at the Court-house, North Hempstead, for the trial of the four murderers and a number of lesser criminals now confined in the Queens County Jail.

The first case called was that of WM. KELLEY and JOHN H. DIVINE, jointly indicted for the murder of GARRETT W. NOSTRAND at Syosset, on the evening of Jan. 28, last. The counsel for KELLEY, Messrs. HAGNE & COVERT, stated that they would elect a separate trial for their client. The District-Attorney, Hon. W. DOWNING, decided that in that case he would call the case of JOHN H. DIVINE, whose counsel protested, but without effect.

The prisoner was then brought into Court. He is a young man, twenty-one years of age, a little below the medium size, with dark-brown hair, blue eyes, clean-shaven face, and his whole appearance is before the boy. No one seeing him would suspect the criminal, much less the murderer, and yet his partial confession brands him at least as an accomplice. The circumstances of the murder were published in the TIMES at the time of the transaction, and were briefly these: Mr. NOSTRAND, with the other prisoners were on the evening in question drinking at the hotel at Syosset. While there some altercation occurred, which temporarily caused some feeling between the parties. When NOSTRAND left he was followed by the prisoners, one leaving by the same door as the deceased, and the other by the back door. From their tracks, which were plainly visible in the snow, it seems they met, and together followed NOSTRAND. The body was found next day, with the skull broken, and the prisoners subsequently arrested. The Coroner's Jury found that the man had been murdered by DIVINE and KELLEY, and the Grand Jury indicted them for the crime. Kerr DIVINE made a confession, in which the crimes charged upon KELLEY, although he admitted that after NOSTRAND was down he struck him on the head with a short club. This club, together with the longer and larger one used by KELLEY to commit the deed, were subsequently found, and were yesterday in Court.

The whole day was occupied in obtaining a jury, and the twelve having been sworn, the Court adjourned till this morning.

Teachers' Association of the Baptist Sunday-school Union.

The regular monthly meeting of the Teachers' Association of the Baptist Sunday-school Union was held last evening at the Tabernacle Church, Second-avenue, near Tenth-street, Mr. J. C. OVERHEISER in the chair. It was resolved to assess each Sunday-school of the Union $5 annually to defray the expenses of the Association. Reports of Mr. J. F. DAVENPORT, President of the Stanton-street School, and of Rev. Mr. ANGELL, of the Sixth-street School, showing progress, were read. The question "How to secure the more cordial co-operation of the teachers in the Sunday-schools," was discussed by Mr. WM. PHELPS and others, and the meeting adjourned.

A Government War Contract—Important Suit Before the Commissioners of Appeals.

The case of RUSSELL STURGIS against PAUL N. SPOFFORD *et al.*, was before the Commissioners of Appeals yesterday. In 1861 the plaintiff affected a charter between the Government and SPOFFORD, TILESTON & Co., for the charter of the steamer *Marion* at $1,000 per day. The Government used the vessel 168 days. The plaintiff claimed two and a half per cent. on the amount received from the Government, $168,000, and the defendants paid him $2,000, claiming that the contract he made with the Government was but for about eighty days, and that the balance of the time was under a new contract with which he had nothing to do. This was the main question discussed at the trial in the Court below and the jury found for plaintiff. The decision of the Commissioners of Appeals is reserved.

The Tammany Republicans—Springer to Catch Woodcock.

The Executive Committee of the Republican General Committee, over which Mr. GREELEY presides, organized at their head-quarters, corner of Fifth-avenue and Twenty-second-street, last evening, by the election of Gen. John Cochrane, President; Gen. Lloyd Aspinwall and Mr. D. D. T. Conover, Vice-Presidents; and Messrs. Leggett, Cochrane and Secretary, Messrs. John Fitch, A. J. Leggett, W. Dewey and Gen. Cochrane were specially appointed to prepare and submit to the main body a set of resolutions, condemning the infamous course of legislation carried on by the Democratic Party at Albany during the past Winter.

A resolution was also adopted denouncing the conduct of the Democratic State Senators and Assemblymen, who first commenced their schemes by ousting Mr. TWOMBLY, a Republican, from the seat which he was justly entitled to, and then bribed a traitorous Republican to assist them in the outrageous undertakings.

The meeting subsequently adjourned.

Anti-Tammany German Organization in the Nineteenth Ward.

The Germans of the Nineteenth Ward are engaged in a movement to effect an independent political organization. They propose to inaugurate measures in opposition to the rule of the Tammany Hall oligarchy. An influential meeting was held at Terrace Garden in reference to this matter yesterday, which was composed of the leading Germans of the district, and a temporary organization was effected, which, it is expected, will speedily be followed by the formation of similar organizations in the other districts of the City. The movement has been entered into without regard to previous party affiliation.

The "Palace" Horse-Car.

The new drawing-room car, yesterday, took its regular place on the Third-avenue line, making four trips from Harlem to City Hall and back during the day, starting at 7½ A. M. and stopping at 7¼ P. M. Proceeds of the day, $24 67. Conspicuous notices announced that this car is run for such passengers as voluntarily pay the conductor ten cents in addition to their fare. If this run of patronage survives the novelty of the first few days, other cars similar to this will be at once prepared and put on the track.

Outrage Upon an Anti-Popery Lecturer—Brutal Treatment of Mr. Murphy.

From the London Standard, April 24.

A most disgraceful outrage has been inflicted upon Mr. W. MURPHY, the well-known Anti Popery lecturer. There may be differences of opinion even among Protestants as to the wisdom or expediency of MURPHY'S proceedings, but if he or any other man cannot deliver a lecture within the walls of some private building (to which people need not go unless they choose) without the risk of being mobbed and murdered, the boasted liberty of England is not worth much. On Wednesday night MURPHY appeared in the Odd-fellows' Hall, Whitehaven, to lecture on "The Seven Sacraments of the Catholic Church," but he had scarcely begun before he was forced to stop by the yells and hooting of a body of Irish miners; and fearing that bodily violence might be done him, his supporters escorted him out of the hall, and sustained him to escape from the excited mob outside. The state of affairs which followed will appear from the following letter, received in London by Mr. ROBERT STEELE, of Tavistock-street, Covent Garden:

No. 10 DUKE-STREET, WHITEHAVEN, CUMBERLAND, April 20.

DEAR SIR: Please send me down the parcel of book. You will see by the paper and bill I send you the state of things here. I do not know how we shall get on to-night. The priest went to the Magistrates to get them to close the hall against me. Yours faithfully, WILLIAM MURPHY.

(Bill.)

"Notice.—To prevent confusion at Mr. MURPHY'S lectures in the Odd-fellows' Hall, at the suggestions of many friends, a charge of twopence will be made at all the lectures (with the exception of the Confession at lecture.) The proceeds to go to some charitable institution, as friends may suggest. The admission to the Confessional lectures will be sixpence each, as before announced. Protestants! come in thousands, and hear Popery unmasked."

Our local correspondent says that, violent as were the proceedings of Wednesday, they were nothing in comparison with those of Thursday night, when a murderous attack was made upon MURPHY'S person. Nothing daunted by his narrow escape on Wednesday, about an hour or so before the time fixed for the commencement of his address on Thursday night, Mr. MURPHY proceeded quietly to the Odd-fellows' Hall, with the view of avoiding observation, and went into the ante-room adjoining and on the same floor as the hall, from which it is divided by a space of about six feet. The entrance to the building is through a long covered passage leading from the street, and up six flights of stairs. After Mr. MURPHY had gone into the ante-room a band of 200 Roman Catholic miners from Cleator Moor marched down Corkickle ten abreast. Upon reaching the Odd-fellows' Hall, the band halted, and at once took possession of the entrance to the building and the stairs. When they did this there were only about fifteen or sixteen of the friends of the lecturer in the hall, and it wanted upward of half an hour of the time when the discourse was to begin. The lecturer, unaware of the purpose of those who were waiting for him outside, left the ante-room in order to proceed into the hall. The moment he made his appearance he was seized by the mob. He was dragged down the stairs by his savage assailants, and struck at and kicked numerously all the whole way. He was then dragged into the passage, knocked down, kicked, raised up, knocked down again, and kicked till he was covered with blood, which gushed from his wounds and splashed the walls. He was then dragged down the passage, the brutal treatment going on the whole time until he reached the door opening into the street, and there, it is said, an attempt was made to kill him outright, by a man who drew a weapon for the purpose. At this juncture, however, some persons interfered to save the now insensible victim of this ruffianly violence. They got him back into the passage, the outer door of which was closed in the face of his assailants, and conveyed him upstairs to the ante-room. The band having done the work which they had set out to do, marched back in triumph to Cleator Moor, cheering as they proceeded through the villages on the way. In the meantime a bed was made up for the insensible man in the ante-room, and medical men were soon in attendance upon him. Restoratives were administered to him, but it was some time before he manifested any sign of life, and his condition was such that he could not be removed to his lodgings. A visitor to MURPHY on Friday morning found him lying upon the bed which had been made up for him, unable to move. His head was swathed in bandages, and his face bruised, was and swollen. There is a shocking wound above the left eye, which had been almost kicked out of its sockets. His body is all over black, blue and purple from the kicks which he had received. On Friday morning he was hovering between life and death, and it seemed as if the balance might as easily incline one way as the other. A large number of policemen had been drawn into Whitehaven to preserve order, but they seem to have been taken by surprise by the attack having been made so long before the time announced for the commencement of the lecture.

Magdalena Bay—John Farrell Relates His Experience.

From the San Francisco Bulletin, May 1.

JOHN FARRELL was hired in New-York, by the Lower California Company, to emigrate to Magdalena Bay and take charge of a gang of moss-gatherers; inducements, promises of $20 per month, and a grant of 160 acres of land. He left New-York March 4, in the steam-ship *Ocean Queen*, which sailed via Panama, accompanied by about 200 others, who were promised $15 per month and 160 acres of land each. Arrived at Panama, many of the emigrants were dissuaded from proceeding further, owing to the representations of a gentleman who appeared to be well informed on the subject. The majority of the party continued on their way, reaching Magdalena on the 26th of March. The Lower California Company had promised in addition to salary, boarding and lodging; and stated that they had houses already erected to afford them accommodations. When the emigrants arrived on the ground, they found that houses had not been erected for their accommodation, and that there were only three stoves in the place to do the cooking for between 300 and 400 souls, including several women and children.

Nearly all the emigrants were compelled to keep in the open air on the sand, and a large number were without blankets or other covering. No water, excepting condensed salt water, that was insufficiently prepared, was given the emigrants. Some of them became thoroughly disgusted, and started to walk to San Diego, a distance of 600 miles. After traveling twenty-six hours and finding no water they were compelled to return. Mr. FARRELL was taken sick and soon after forwarded to San Francisco, where he arrived on Thursday last. He represents affairs in a deplorable condition at Magdalena, and says, among other things, that there is a scarcity of food and water. Mr. FARRELL does not propose to return to Magdalena.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

NEW-YORK.

At an early hour yesterday morning a fire was discovered under the counter in the liquor-store of MICHAEL MCBRIDE, No. 22 Downing-street, but was extinguished so quickly that a damage of only $150 was done to stock, and $100 to the building, which is owned by JAMES HOOK, of No. 52 Downing-street. The fire is supposed to have been incendiary, and is under investigation by the Fire Marshal.

The Harlem Branch of the Young Men's Christian Association last night held a "social reception" in honor of the opening of their spacious reading-room and gymnasium, in the Harlem Hall, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth-street and Fourth-avenue. The branch is now three years old, and has 400 members. The exercises consisted of singing and instrumental music, with addresses by Rev. HENRY POTTER, HENRY B. RIDGAWAY, and others.

The annual meeting of the Mercantile Library Association will be held this evening, at Clinton Hall, Astor-place. The "Reform Party," by circular, urges all who wish a change in the management of affairs; who advocate the opening of the reading-room on Sundays; the reduction of the dues; the selection of impartial inspectors; an honest election, and an immediate and radical change in the direction of the library, to be present.

The action instituted by the Government against C. H. LILIENTHAL, for the recovery of $104,000 for not making full returns of sales of tobacco, which has occupied the attention of Judge BLATCHFORD, in the United States Circuit Court, for the past nineteen months, was concluded yesterday. The jury rendered a verdict for the Government for the full amount claimed.

The First Universalist Church of Richfield Springs, N. Y., Rev. S. R. WARD, pastor, has recently been the recipient of a donation from Capt. ALBERT DE GROOT, of this City, of two memorial windows, a very elegant and valuable Bible for the pulpit, a silver communion service, besides books for the Sabbath-school and substantial gifts to the pastor.

Mr. P. B. DU CHAILLU, the African explorer and lecturer, sails in the Cunard steamer Inderow for Europe. He is to travel through Norway, Sweden and Lapland on the scientific purposes. The climate, the natural history, the ethnology, the effects of the zodiacal lights, the habits of the simple peasants of those regions will be his study.

There were eighty prisoners before Justice DOWLING, at the Tombs, yesterday. The most important case was the charge made against ADAM BERRIE, for keeping his liquor-store, at No. 23 South-street, open between the hours of 1 and 5 o'clock, yesterday morning. He was held in $100 bail to answer at the General Sessions.

FREDERICK BEAL, of Brooklyn, was arrested, yesterday afternoon, by Roundsman STURESBURG and Officer O'BRIEN, of the Tenth Precinct, for the shooting of THOMAS MCGUIRE, Sunday evening, an account of which has been published. The prisoner was locked up in the Eldridge-street Police Station.

The Coroner's jury, yesterday, returned a verdict of accidental death in the case of BRIDGET HUGHES, who was so frightfully burned on Saturday evening, through her clothes taking fire from burning kerosene oil spilled near a hot stove at No. 179 Greenwich-street. The other persons who were injured are doing well.

Some of the flour brokers met yesterday and passed resolutions condemning the action of the Trustees of the Produce Exchange in demanding a tariff of rentals for stands "arbitrarily fixed by themselves, and exceeding in the main those previously paid by from 100 to 500 per cent."

Mr. HENRY BERGH yesterday charged NICHOLAS MARSHALL with driving a poor worn-out horse, very lame, and with a large sore under the saddle, before a truck laden with two large crates of crockery-ware. Judge DOWLING committed MARSHALL, and he was locked up in default of bail.

The roof of the house No. 11 Mangin-street took fire, yesterday, from a defective chimney, and before the flames were extinguished a loss of $500 was inflicted. The fire extended to No. 9 Mangin-street, but only slight damage was done.

A free exhibition of the pupils of the Institution for Instructing Deaf Mutes will be held on Thursday evening, at the Home, corner of Broadway and Forty-fourth-streets. The methods of instruction by articulation and lip-reading will be illustrated.

Orders have been received at military head-quarters, in this City, for the immediate dispatch of 200 recruits from Governor's Island to join the First United States Infantry at Detroit, Mich. The men will probably leave to-morrow.

FREDERICK MOORE, aged fifteen years, of No. 3 East Fifty-third-street, last evening shot himself accidentally in the abdomen with a pistol which he was playing with in the yard attached to his residence. The wound is considered dangerous.

Speaker BLAINE, after having been confined to his rooms by illness at the Fifth-avenue Hotel, in this City, has sufficiently recovered to return to his home in Augusta, Me., for which place he proposes to leave to-morrow.

The Board of Apportionment did not meet yesterday, Mayor HALL and the heads of Departments being desirous of attending the funeral of Gov. HOFFMAN'S father. The Board will meet today at 2½ P. M.

There will be a Working Men's meeting at Cooper Institute, Thursday evening, at 8 P. M., to hear JOHN SINET, President of the Miners' Association, on the coal troubles. M. M. POMEROY and others will speak.

The Spanish corvette *Trinidad*, (a school-ship for midshipmen,) Capt. D. MANUEL GASQUIN, reached this port on Sunday from Havana. She mounts four guns, and has a complement of 163 men.

A meeting of owners of bonded warehouses will be held today at No. 2 Bridge-street, to protest against the order of the Treasury Department requiring the use, by them, of the new patent lock.

The Foundling Asylum at Fifty-first-street and Lexington-avenue is to be repaired and renovated at a cost of $7,000. The building will also be enlarged for the reception of more inmates.

JEM MACE, accompanied by a number of professional friends, left his training grounds at Cypress Hill Grove, East New-York, last evening, en route for a certain point in the vicinity of the scene of the coming fight.

MIKE MCGOWAN, of No. 247 West Thirty-seventh-street, was yesterday arrested for driving a horse with sores under the collar and saddle. He was committed by Judge COX.

Startling indications of the demoralization of the Police Force are constantly presented. Thirty-four cases were examined yesterday. Some of these were of a serious nature.

The Norwegian Society held a meeting last evening and made arrangements for the proper celebration of the 17th of May, the anniversary of their national independence.

The Seventeenth District Grant Club, Col. JOEL W. MASON, President, meets this evening at the Hall, corner of Seventh-avenue and Forty-eighth-street.

PATRICK MORRISON was committed for examination, yesterday, by United States Commissioner SHIELDS, for offering for sale canceled revenue stamps.

Today about seventy-five prisoners will be drafted from sing sing prison and sent to the Clinton and Auburn prisons. The former is too full.

The Appraiser has issued an order holding the Assistant Appraisers responsible for the discipline and organization of their respective divisions.

The twelfth annual commencement of the Columbia College Law School takes place at the Academy of Music next Tuesday, 16th.

The report circulated through the United States Courts yesterday that Marshal SHARPE had resigned, is unfounded.

We have received from "K. B. C." the sum of $10 for the relief of the Broome-street family.

BROOKLYN.

An inquest was held, yesterday morning, by Coroner JONES, touching the death of HENRY M. BRIGGS, who died on Saturday at his residence, No. 147 Remsen-street. The jury found that deceased had killed himself by taking an overdose of "hydrate of chloral." This drug, it appears, had been prescribed for him by a physician, but he took two spoonfuls instead of one, as directed.

By the quarterly report of the boiler inspectors, presented to the Police Commissioners yesterday, it appears that during the past three months there were 278 boilers inspected, three of which were found unsafe. There were, during the same period, 161 engineers examined, 121 of whom were found competent. There were no accidents.

Fifteen boys who were arrested on Sunday, while playing base-ball, were fined $3 each by Justices VOORHIES yesterday morning.

The water rents for the past year are being received at the Registrators' Office at the rate of $11,000 per day.

NEW-JERSEY.

The representatives of the Morris Canal Company signed the lease of the Lehigh Valley Railway Company on Saturday evening, it having been previously signed by the representatives of the Railroad Company. Since the execution of the lease the stock of the Canal Company has risen in the market from 60 to 120.

The corner-stone of the First Baptist Church, of Bergen, was laid yesterday, with appropriate ceremonies. The building adjoins the Chapel, and will be 60 feet front by 104 deep. The front will be of Newark brown stone, and the sides of pressed brick, with stone trimmings, with a spire on one end, 120 feet high, and a tower 70 feet high on the other. The cost is estimated at $60,000.

The stables of the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company, on Taylor-street, Trenton, were burned at midnight on Sunday. The buildings were long and built entirely of wood. Three mules were burned. Loss $20,000; insured for two-thirds of that amount.

Yesterday warrants were issued by a Jersey City Justice for the arrest of ISAAC BROWN and ALFRED LANGHAM, owners of the steaming *Jessie*, valued at $14,000, on a charge of stealing her while in charge of Constable QUIRK, of Jersey City, under a writ of attachment.

In the Hudson County Supreme Court, yesterday, the jury in the case of the Niagara Insurance Company *vs.* ALONZO DEAN, rendered a verdict in favor of the defendant. The litigation grew out of a fire in the bolt factory of Messrs. MCTIGHE & BRADLEY, nearly two years ago.

The Board of Police Commissioners of Jersey City, held a regular meeting last night, and continued their work of removal of patrolmen of the old force. Sixteen officers were removed, their places being filled by new men.

In consequence of the failure of many of the dentists of Jersey City to renew their license for the use of a patent vulcanite, they have been cited to appear before the United States Court at Trenton to answer.

The Small-pox Hospital at Hoboken contains thirteen patients. The nurse and stewardess of the steam-ship *Helsena* contracted the disease on the last trip, and at present are confined there.

It has been discovered that the supplementary hall framed for providing a Board of Education for Jersey City, is so defective as to render it impossible to legally procure a Board under its provisions.

The brother of the President, Mr.